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By the Way—

- PSI chapter's aggressive and progressive spirit has made itself felt ever since it was chartered by the Alpha Kappa Pi fraternity. West Virginia Wesleyan College, on which campus the Psi chapter is an integral part, celebrates its semi-centennial. The Alpha therefore takes this opportunity to honor and at the same time review the history of this fine college and the background and development of Alpha Kappa Pi at this institution. You will find this story interesting.
- THE selection of an all Alpha Kappa Pi football team has received so much favorable comment from the chapters that the editors have ventured to pick an all Alpha Kappa Pi basketball team. The men picked on this team represent some of the outstanding basketball players in the collegiate ranks.
- THE next issue will feature the installation of the Epsilon fraternity at Milton College as the Alpha Eta chapter. The next issue will also contain the senior recognition section which is an annual feature.
- CHAPTER historians and others contributing to THE ALPHA will greatly assist the editors and aid in the accuracy of reports if they will use the full name and class of all brothers mentioned in the copy. Special care should be taken in this connection when photographs and cuts are submitted. A picture without a name is valueless and a picture with a wrong name or a wrong version of the name is embarrassing.

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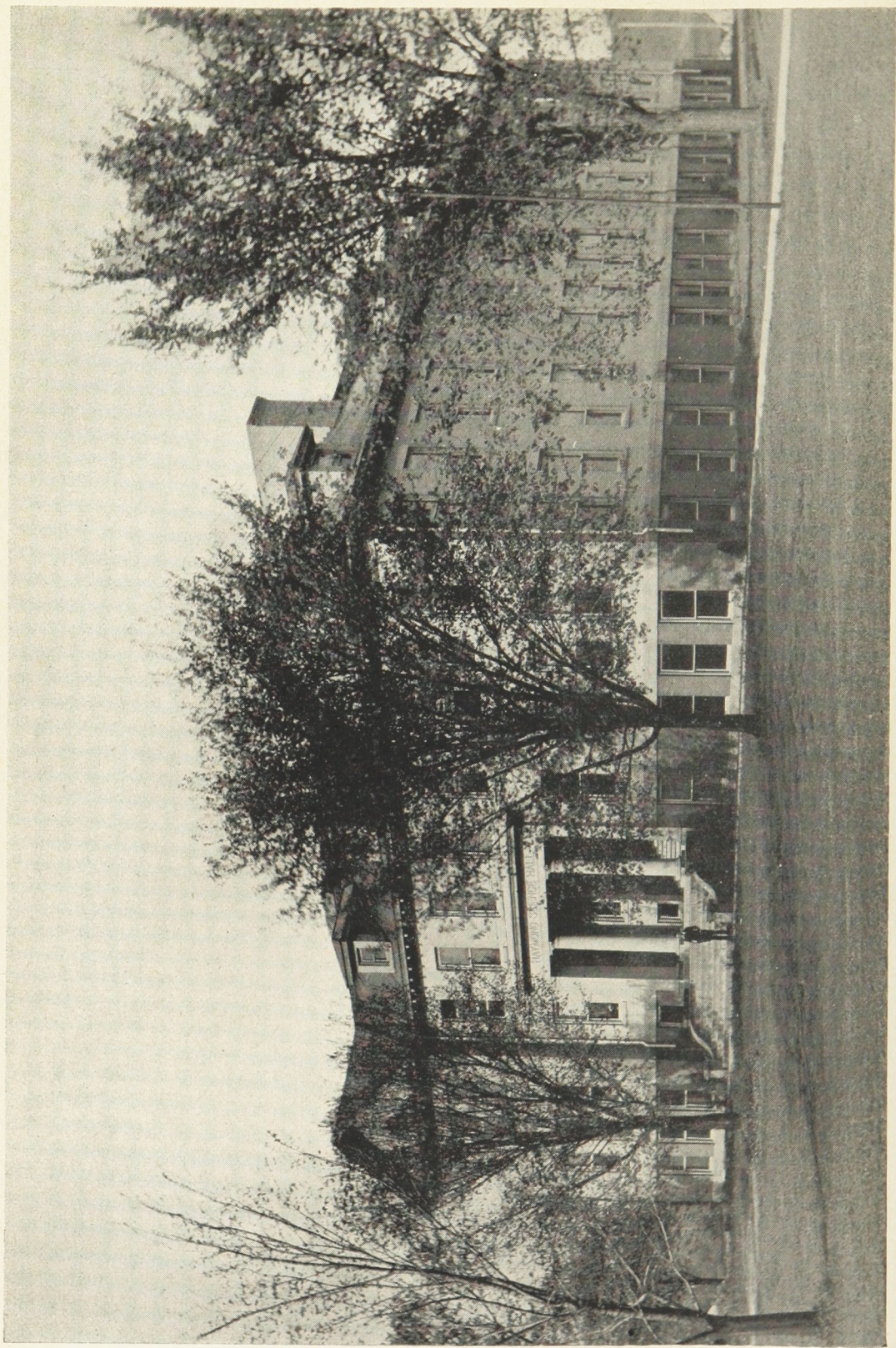
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HAYMOND SCIENCE HALL AT WEST VIRGINIA WESLEYAN COLLEGE AT BUCKHANNON, WEST VIRGINIA



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West Virginia Wesleyan Celebrates Semi-Centennial

Psi Chapter Takes Active Part

By James Cox, Psi '40

WEST Virginia Wesleyan College opened its doors in September, 1890, as the West Virginia Conference Seminary, its aim as expressed by its first president, Dr.

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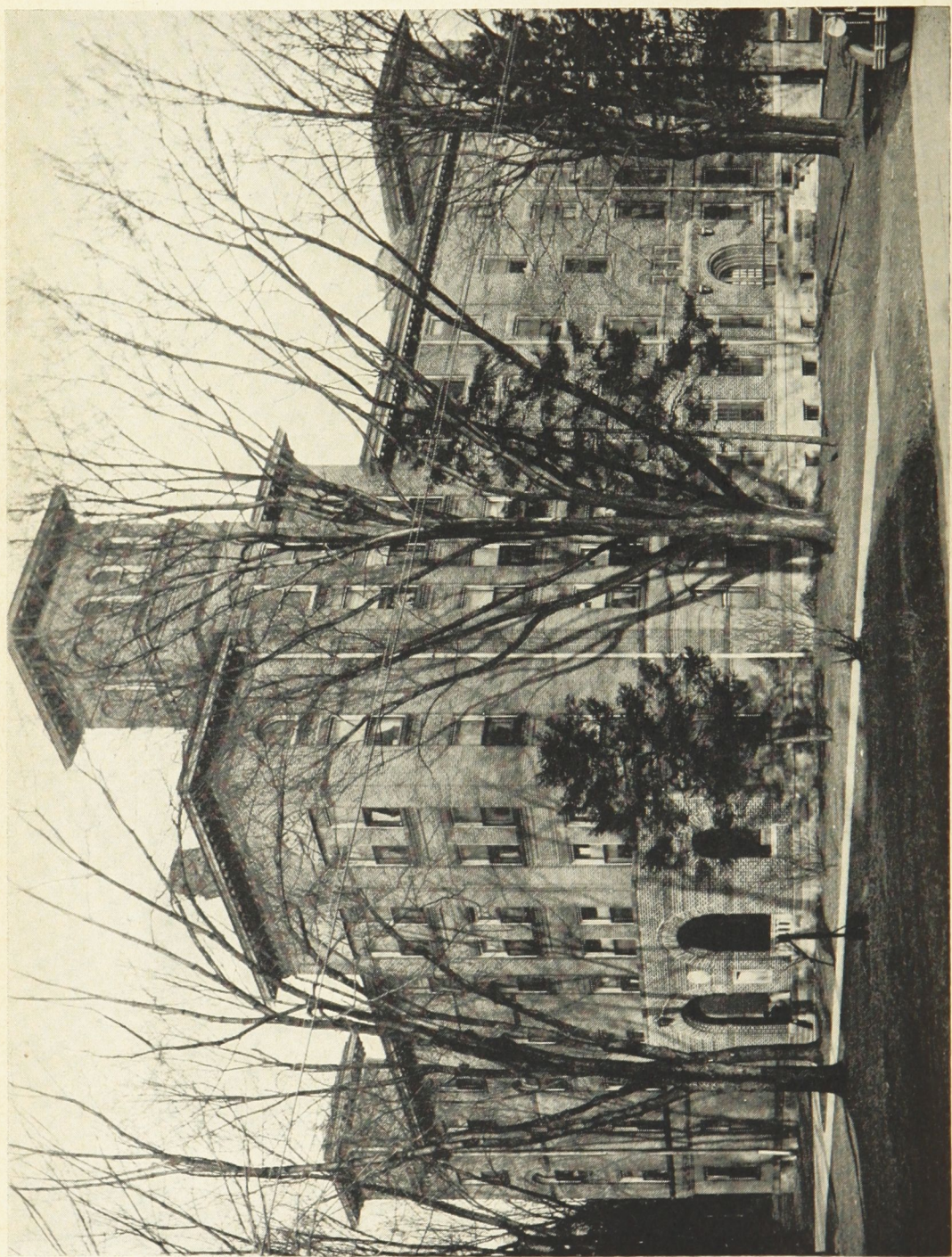
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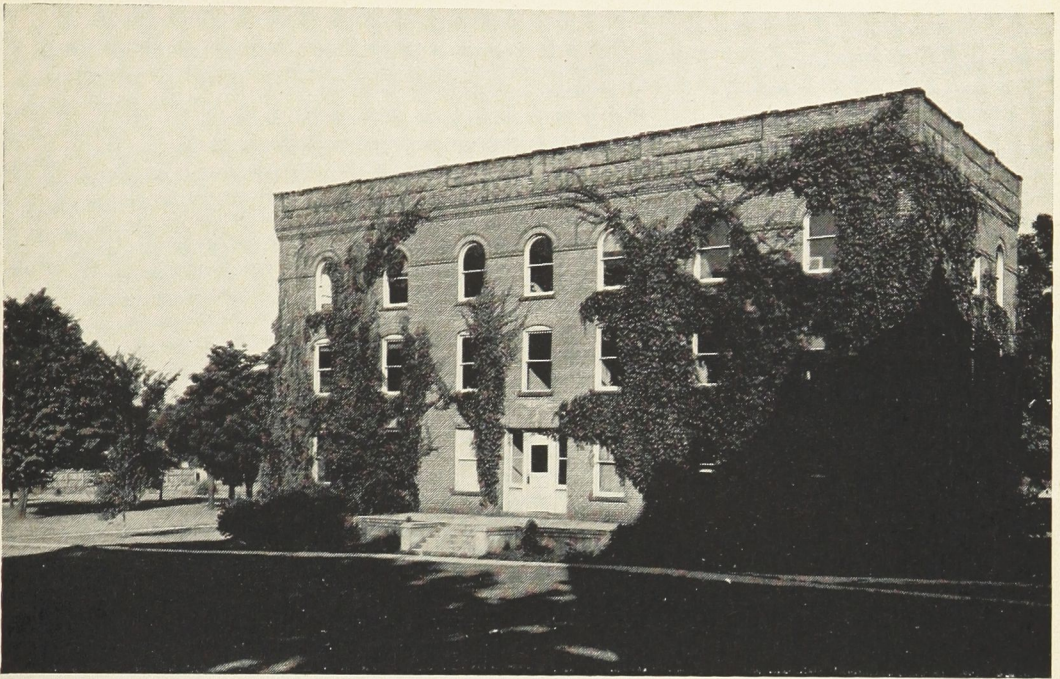
HOME OF PSI CHAPTER AT WEST VIRGINIA WESLEYAN

B. W. Hutchinson, was "to furnish to students of both sexes opportunities for a thorough education under Christian influences . . . to develop character . . . to promote the highest Christian culture and the

but non-sectarian college, Wesleyan adheres strictly to the position that it should do its utmost to instill devotion to high principles of thought and conduct and develop sterling Christian character on the part of the men



AGNES HOWARD HALL AT WEST VIRGINIA WESLEYAN



CONSERVATORY OF MUSIC AT WEST VIRGINIA WESLEYAN

and women who pass through its portals with the hope and resolve of rounded self-betterment.

The movement that resulted in the founding of West Virginia Wesleyan had its beginning among those Methodists who realized the urgent need of a centrally located institution of higher learning with a denominational emphasis. In 1876 the people of Buckhannon presented a request and a pledge of money to the West Virginia Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church in order to have the proposed school located in their city. But, however, nothing definite was done until 1887, when the Conference ratified the purchase of forty-three acres in the City of Buckhannon as a site for the school.

The Main Building was completed during the summer of 1890, and so, on September 3, that year, the West Virginia Conference Seminary, as the school was originally named, opened for its first term. Five years later the Agnes Howard Hall, a dormitory for women, was opened; and in 1902 the Conservatory of Music was built.

In June, 1903, the school was raised to full college standing and renamed West Virginia Wesleyan College. The standard of the college, as introduced then and still in existence, is that prescribed by the University Senate of the Methodist Church.

A disastrous fire swept away the Main Building during a night in February, 1905. However, immediate steps were taken for replacement and so in the following year the Administration Building was completed. Today it houses the administrative offices, classrooms, a spacious Atkinson Chapel with a fine pipe organ, and a library of over thirty thousand volumes.

In 1912 the Gymnasium was constructed. Its basketball floor is one of the largest and best in the state and until last year was the scene of the West Virginia State High School Basketball Tournament. The gym is equipped with a large swimming pool, in addition to the most modern equipment for physical education.

In 1913, the Haymond Science Hall, the gift of Mrs. Virginia Haymond as a memorial to her husband, Col. Sydney Hay-

mond, was ready for use. It is a four story building equipped in the realm of Physics, Chemistry, Mathematics, Geology, Radio, Astronomy, Pre-Medicine, and Pre-Engineering. It also contains a scientific library of over a thousand volumes.

Wesleyan's large campus, covering the equivalent of twelve city blocks, is situated in the southeastern part of the city. It is wooded with every possible variety of tree,

work, and give such students full credit for courses taken here. Wesleyan seeks above all to create a healthy, normal and rational religious atmosphere in which her students may live and work.

Wesleyan is situated at Buckhannon, in the heart of West Virginia, and because of its location near the geographical center of the commonwealth, is readily accessible from all parts of the state. West Vir-



GYMNASIUM AT WEST VIRGINIA WESLEYAN

and is acclaimed by many as the most beautiful campus they've ever seen. It also contains three good tennis courts, a baseball diamond, a well-planned football field surrounded by a fifth-mile cindered track, and a nine hole golf course.

Wesleyan college is relatively young. It is now in its fiftieth year. Its growth over this period will compare favorably with colleges of its class anywhere. The college from its beginning has insisted on the most thorough kind of intellectual standards. Leading universities welcome Wesleyan students who wish to do post graduate

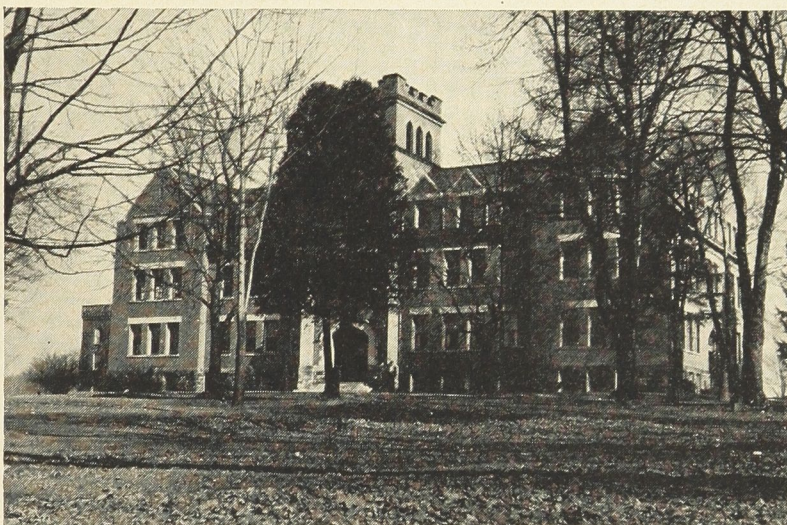
ginia is known as the "Switzerland of America," and at Buckhannon, 1600 feet above sea level, the college enjoys pure air, a healthful climate, and the best of the natural beauty with which the state is endowed. Away from the din and distraction of industrial centers . . . in a small city of wholesome environment . . . it is indeed a choice place for study and cultural development.

Recognizing that no institution can afford to stand still . . . that Wesleyan must ever move forward . . . the Semi-Centennial celebration this spring of the founding of

the institution inaugurates a well-defined program of development for the next five years. A part of the Semi-Centennial program includes a drive for a million dollars, out of which will come a new library and a \$500,000 increase in the endowment fund of the college. A high point in the Semi-Centennial celebration will be the laying of the cornerstone of the new Library Building, the site of which has already been selected. The drive has already netted more than half a million and the remainder

Chi Alpha Tau, the local fraternity that was the parent of Psi of Alpha Kappa Pi, was organized in 1923, the first fraternity on the campus. Because of the existing anti-fraternity rules the organization functioned as the X. A. T. Club till September, 1925, when it was granted a charter as the Chi Alpha Tau fraternity by the college.

On April 22, 1933, Chi Alpha Tau became Psi chapter of Alpha Kappa Pi. At this point the strength of the local fra-



ADMINISTRATION BUILDING AT WEST VIRGINIA WESLEYAN

of the million will be collected over a five-year period.

Bishop Adna W. Leonard, Resident Bishop of the Pittsburgh Area, has taken the leadership in organizing the campaign for funds, while Dr. Wallace B. Fleming, vice-president of the college, is the Director of the Semi-Centennial Campaign. The efforts of these two men have netted the highly successful results already achieved.

There is one other chapter of a national fraternity on Wesleyan's campus other than Psi of Alpha Kappa Pi—Beta Chi chapter of Kappa Alpha Order. These two along with Sigma Eta Delta, an enterprising local, make up the social fraternities at Wesleyan.

ternity stood at 71 alumni members, 24 active members, and 18 pledges. The first president of Psi chapter was Brother Jackson W. Rafeld '33, now Zeta Province Chief. Following Brother Rafeld came Brother Howard Bachtel in '34, Brother Nick Cody in '35, Brother Roy W. Reger in '36, Brother William G. Bupp in '37, Brother Mike Branchik in '38, Brother William B. Hicks in '39, and this year Brother Delmar Walker '40.

Psi chapter has initiated 137 men into the brotherhood since becoming a chapter of Alpha Kappa Pi. At the present time the chapter roll includes the names of twenty-five active men and forty pledges.

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After Twenty Years

By Albert Hughes Wilson, Fraternity Adviser

■ ON THE day of January 1, 1941, the Alpha Kappa Pi fraternity will have reached its twentieth birthday; not old yet not wholly young. Twenty years, in the life of any fraternity, is quite long enough to afford ample proof as to whether or not that fraternity possesses those elements that make it worth while to be continued and its precepts emulated. In the life of the Alpha Kappa Pi one thing is definite and that is we find here the right evidence to know that its teachings and ideals are worthy of even larger developments.

What grounds do we take to show that the Alpha Kappa Pi has anchored itself for a noble and worth while contribution to the college youth of the land? One of the reasons advanced, for the increasing integrity of this fraternity, is the fact that our collegiate chapters have been tried and tested and, in the great preponderance of the chartered life, have proved themselves to be valiant, and the failures therein have been only fractional. Then again we have that solidarity, in chapter establishment, that has made it possible, and without great expense to the fraternity, to keep in knowing and inspirational contact with all these chapter centers. While Alpha Kappa Pi is national in plan and scope, yet that accepted decision, for these first twenty years, not to scatter our collegiate chapters over too far reaching a territory, has given an intangible strength that is at the same time tangible and progressive. That Alpha Kappa Pi has refused to charter petitioners from the Rocky Mountain sector, and even on the Pacific Coast, does not mean that Alpha Kappa Pi will never reach that far West, but it does represent the underlying contention that the best and the safest way of the fraternity to the Far West is by the way of the East, hence the buttressing of the home base before venturing too far from the scenes of the fraternity's nativity. Now

that these twenty years have laid the solid foundation Alpha Kappa Pi may proceed with assurance to build the superstructure as the appeal comes to its Grand Officers and college chapters. Along with this solidarity in territorial nearness there has come the cumulative strength of the alumni and an actual and close friendship among alumni members from all the chapters forming the roll of the fraternity. This last stated fact has contributed toward a finer esprit de corps throughout the entire fraternity.

There are other features that we do well to point out specifically in giving a cursory picture of the fraternity for these years that represent the fifth of a century. The fact that the chapters have shown their ability to recuperate their membership each collegiate year, and not counting pledges and eligible alumni from chartered, and in many instances old local societies, the fraternity is fast approaching a total membership of three thousand men, virile and enthusiastic for works concerning their fraternity. So we have passed the stage of fearful wondering as to whether or not the chapters would be able to hold their places among the fraternities already functioning on the campuses where Alpha Kappa Pi set up its banners. Numerically Alpha Kappa Pi is a going and a growing concern.

Financially the fraternity has been outstandingly successful. There are no debts and the fraternity has maintained all the necessary machinery to keep a lively and progressive organization under marching orders. THE ALPHA, as the printed organ of the fraternity, is in its Fourteenth Volume and appears regularly and four times during each collegiate year. Through the pages of THE ALPHA there is a continual demand and challenge toward all the chapters that scholarship must ever remain one of the strong pillars in the growth of this fraternity. Thus far there has been unusual suc-

cess along this line of pure scholarship and many of our chapters have been cup winners, and on no campus has there been any complaint from the faculty that Alpha Kappa Pi was derelict in this line of achievement.

Perhaps the strength of the fraternity for these first twenty years has been due to fact that we have not been too desirous of changing our official leaders. Alpha Kappa Pi has been fortunate in keeping in the higher offices the men who know the needs and who matched their enthusiasm for the fraternity with their tested knowledge of the real needs of the fraternity. Alpha Kappa Pi has taught her members to appreciate the fact that an office in the life of the fraternity is in no way an

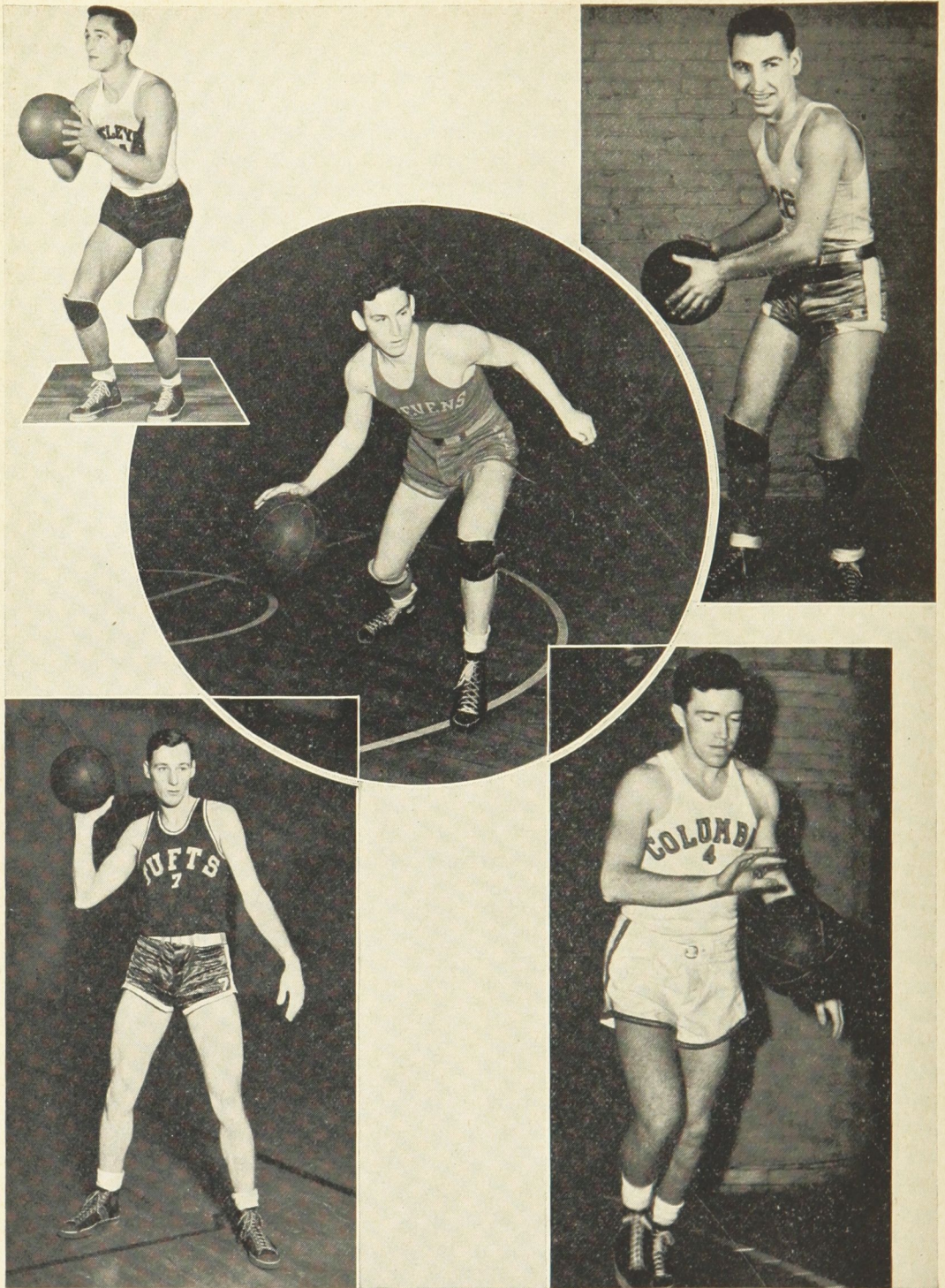
office for personal glory, but a commissioned trust for service.

So, members of the Alpha Kappa Pi fraternity, let us look forward with great hopefulness to the celebration of January 1, 1941, when we shall fittingly make observance of these years of achievements and excellencies. As we fittingly review these one score years there is little, if anything, for which we need stop to apologize. There is much for which we have a right to be proud. We have entered the fraternal jousts to stay. May the Knights of the Alpha Kappa Pi prove valiant. The past has been won. The future is in the making. Now is the time to determine what the second twenty years shall accomplish.

Wofford College Petition

Just as the copy for the March issue of THE ALPHA goes to press, a very excellent petition comes to the Alpha Kappa Pi fraternity from the Alpha Beta Gamma Fraternity at the old and well considered Wofford College, Spartanburg, South Carolina. For a number of years fraternities were prohibited at this ancient seat of learning but, somewhere around the year 1910, the ban was lifted and these fraternities are now actively established on this campus: Kappa Alpha, Kappa Sigma, Pi Kappa Phi, Alpha Lambda Tau,

Beta Kappa, Lambda Chi Alpha. The printed presentment of these Wofford men is now in the hands of the collegiate chapter of the fraternity, and on their decision rests the outcome as to whether or not Alpha Kappa Pi shall establish its second chapter within the borders of the State of South Carolina. The Eta chapter is now at the Presbyterian College, and lending its united influence to the successful outcome of the Wofford request for charter privileges.



ALL-ALPHA KAPPA PI BASKETBALL TEAM

Top, left: Sam Gwosden, Psi '42, center of the Wesleyan Bobcats. Right: Henry Meyer, Alpha '40, Newark College of Engineering. Center: Edward Israel, Gamma '40, Stevens. Bottom, left: Claude Tibbs, Tau '40, captain of Tufts. Right: John Gilligan, Theta '40, Columbia crack shot.

All-Alpha Kappa Pi Basketball Team

■ IN THIS issue of THE ALPHA, and for the first time in the history of the Alpha Kappa Pi fraternity, we make bold to name the All-Alpha Kappa Pi basketball team, and, to do justice to the great array of gifted players, we find it necessary to name not only one team, but to set forth three combinations. Then to make certain which of these three combinations should really be placed first we wish it were possible to stage an Alpha Kappa Pi tournament, and through the process of elimination, come to know more fully how these teams should be rated finally.

However we are making use of the usual sources of information, and without bias or favoritism, proceed to state the conclusions as herein set forth. These decisions have been drawn from chapter reports, newspaper clippings, and personal contacts, and we trust that we have been able to strike somewhere near the ideal arrangement. There is no doubt in our mind that, with these first all-teams as ice-breakers, the future selections of these All-Alpha Kappa Pi players, will be more conclusive and much easier to be named or rated.

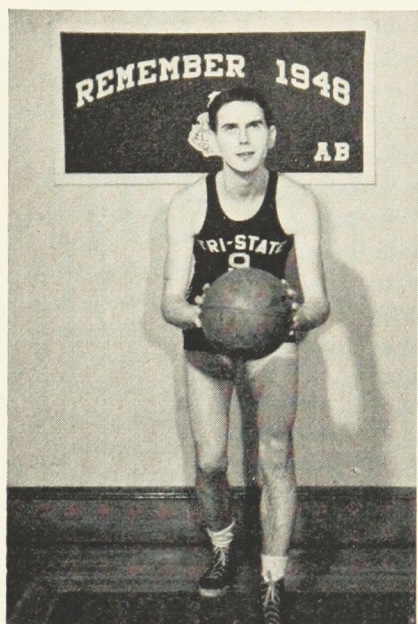
To coach these teams we have gone carefully over the records of the names submitted, for this important post, and we believe that the ideal man has been discovered. His name is Edward Howell, and he hails from that remarkable athletic campus, West Virginia Wesleyan College. He is now coaching at Benwood Union, just outside the City of Wheeling, West Virginia, where his teams have built up such high rating that Howell is recognized as one of the two or three foremost basketball coaches not only within the State of West Virginia, but along the entire Ohio River Valley. Then for the manager we find the ideal personage for this post in Mallon, manager of the fast-stepping Newark Engineering team. To assist him we name John Laestadius, Brooklyn Polytech-

nic, and lifted from that status to manager of the Polytechnic team for next season. To captain the first team we cannot well overlook the record compiled by Tibbs, captain at Tufts, and the second high scorer, among all the New England colleges, for the present season. After careful consideration of several players the choice finally fell to Tibbs, captain and center of the championship Tufts College team. To lead the second Alpha Kappa Pi combination we have named Hall, captain and star guard at the Newark College of Engineering; and for the third team McMillan, the recognized star of the Hartwick five. With the usual privilege of changing two or three men from one position to another, and for the reason to gain higher scoring power or a more definite team play, we now come to the lineup of the first team: Coach—Howell, West Virginia Wesleyan; Manager—Mallon, Newark Engineering; Assistant Manager—John Laestadius, Brooklyn Polytechnic; Captain—Tibbs, Tufts College. The team: Forward—Israel, Stevens Technology; Forward—Meyer, Newark Engineering; Center—Tibbs, Tufts College; Guard—Gwosden, West Virginia Wesleyan; Guard—Gilligan, Columbia.

In placing Israel and Meyer at the forward places we have been able to stress both power and speed. Strong and rugged, yet lightning fast, these men would be able to stand up against the most gruelling opposition. Meyer excels in spot shooting while Israel is the ideal floor man when needed to quickly map or devise the style of play. With these men as forwards there would be little fear of the game getting out of control.

At center we have placed the redoubtable and remarkable shooting wizard Tibbs, Tufts, and as stated above named him captain. Tibbs rates as one of the finest players among New England colleges, and while outstanding in every part of the game

his specialty is to sidestep opponents, and flip baskets with one hand shots. Many a game has been pulled out of the fire by



GILBERT GAMBER, *Alpha Beta '41,*
Tri State

this sensational player. He is the ideal man to inspire and lead any team to a sustained drive to win victories.

For guards we have named two men, whose style of play is such that it would be difficult to find men more expert to take care of this end of the play. Gwosden, is a natural center man, but able to play any position on the team and at guard would be even more effective than at the center spot since he is able not only to guard his opponent but when called upon is able to perform in deadly style in shooting for the basket. Gwosden would fill the bill on any high rating combination. In Gilligan we find the rangy and tireless type of player and as the *New York Times* stated in reporting the Columbia-Yale game: "No matter how the play might be going 'Red Topped' Gilligan is in there showing no end of speed and team play."

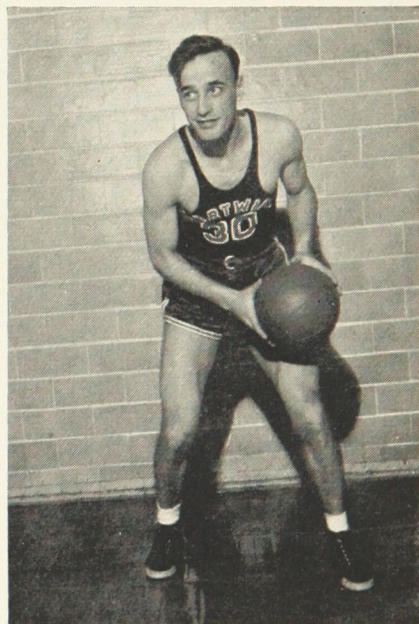
It would be a rare treat to bring these men together and set them going on any

floor, and against any style of competition. These are the men we name for the first All-Alpha Kappa Pi team.

Then to buttress and make certain the winning spirit and set up in playing power for this first team we have named as an all-around substitute Ellis, West Virginia Wesleyan, only a cub player but what a player! In the games of the present season, and up until the first of March, Ellis had run up a total score of almost 400 points. His natural position is at forward but a man with such amazing and adaptable capacity would be at home in any position and give a brilliant account of himself. Watch Ellis for the next few seasons.

Second Team: Captain—Hall, Newark College of Engineering.

The Team: Forward—Walsh, Brooklyn Polytechnic; Forward—Feola, West Virginia Wesleyan; Center—Fehn, Newark Engineering; Guard—Hall, Captain, Newark En-



RAY McMILLAN, *Alpha Alpha '42,*
Hartwick

gineering; Guard—Kosko, West Virginia Wesleyan.

On this second selection we have placed Walsh, the fastest man on the Brooklyn

Polytechnic combination, and a tremendous scoring asset, along with Feola, another fast and accurate player, West Virginia Wesleyan, at the forward positions. These men are both capable and could be moved up to the first team assignments and with little if any loss in the playing strength of that first string-team.

For the center man we have Fehn, another standout player from Newark Engineering, and a splendid floor man as well as one, under stress, able to stand up physically, even while diagnosing his opponent's change in style of performance. Fehn is well deserving of this honor.

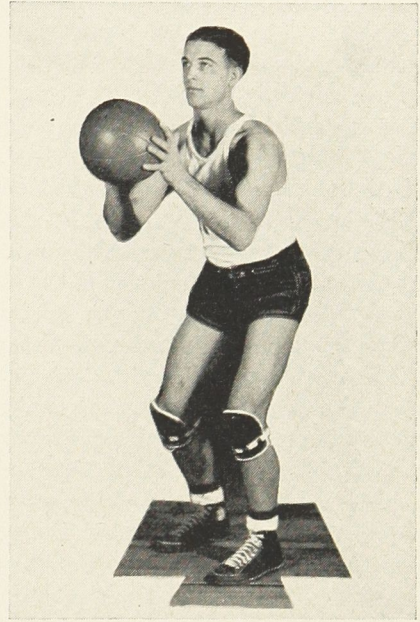
In the guards there are two men found able to play varsity ball on any team in their respective regions, and only the outstanding status of the first team men holds them from being named for that team. Hall is a magnificent player and as captain of the second team would lead his mates to many victories, while Kosko is the tireless type of player and grows better and more scintillating as the game becomes tougher and more exacting in play. These two men would give Alpha Kappa Pi a pair of guards hard to match for sheer ability and playing skill.

Third Team: Captain—McMillan, Hartwick.

The Team: Forward—Gamber, Tri State; Forward—Sandoff, Wagner; Center—Ellor, Newark Engineering; Guard—Bolton, Newark Engineering; Guard—McMillan, Captain, Hartwick.

Seldom could any squad of players, on any campus, be able to send out a third string team of the ability, individually or as a team, to match this third team of the fraternity. In fact in the event of the need these men, or individual substitutions, could be sent to the floor, to relieve tiring players, and it is a question whether or not the high grade in play would be affected in the slightest. We have here remarkable men at the forward places. Gamber, the six foot plus star at Tri State, not only brought honor to his college on the floor court, but coached the Alpha Kappa Pi intramural combination, to the championship of his

college for two years straight. A deadly shot and an inspirational player Gamber fills his position in a very fine way. Sandoff, Wagner,



EDWARD KOSKO, Psi '42, West Virginia Wesleyan

is one of those consistent and determined players that grows better as the team proceeds and as the play becomes more difficult. He is blessed with the never-say-die spirit and, as such a player, is valuable not only for his personal contribution to the game, but for his inspirational value to all his team mates. This man rates this high recognition easily.

At center we present another Newark Engineering star and a man able to fill this spot on any fast moving team. Ellor is only a shade below, even if that, from either the first or the second choices in the fraternity. It takes a tough opponent to get the better of this man when the game is under way.

To guard the game on this third team we have located two remarkable players in McMillan, Hartwick and Bolton, Newark Engineering (both of whom are physically strong and mentally alert). From the blast of the whistle to the closing shot of the game

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The Three "G's" of a Good Education

By George E. Owen, *Lambda '31, Grand Chaplain*

■ WE USED to hear about the three "R's" of an education—Reading, 'Riting and 'Rithmetic, and then there was added a fourth R—Righteousness. But have you heard of the three "G's" of a good education?

Before speaking specifically of the prerequisites of an education we had best ask ourselves what we mean by an education. Theodore Roosevelt used to speak of certain vehicles of human thought as "weasel words." The weasel does not eat hen fruit, but rather sucks the rich contents from the egg and leaves the shell. Many words today have been depleted of their rich meaning. Education is one of these weasel words.

Education comes from two Latin roots which mean *to lead out*. The suggestion is that education leads us out of darkness into light, out of ignorance to knowledge, out of fear to faith, and out of mental bondage into freedom. No man is so free as he who knows the truth. Education breaks the shackles of superstition and makes man a creative creature. All of this is derived just from the etymology of the word.

In a broad sense, education is the unfolding of human nature and this certainly includes the soul of man. I have heard of monkeys, pigs, horses, and even a goose, aluded to as educated animals. That is a degradation of the term. We *train* animals and *teach* people, just as we *raise* hogs and *rear* children. In the highest sense education is the outreach of the human mind to discover the will and purpose of the Infinite Mind in his creation and creatures.

A true education is a process of spiritual growth and social adjustment as well as intellectual upreach. The home, the school, the church, the state are all implements that aid in the cultivation of a good education. Experience is still the greatest and best teacher. Personality, which should be the primary product of education, is the result

of intersocial stimulation. Education in the strict academic sense often retards the development of a rich, well rounded personality unless accompanied by proper social contacts. Frustration, bewilderment, disillusionment, maladjustment and the disintegration of personality come frequently to a man with college degrees, who has no faith to anchor to, and who has not learned the fine art of living.

Summed up in a neat way, someone has said that "an education is what you retain after you forget what you have learned." In short, it is what you *are*.

To obtain a good education three things are indispensable. For the sake of memory we shall designate them as the three "G's."

The first is GRIT. By grit we mean hard work and persistence. Grit is the amount of sand you have in your craw. It is plugging away at your job, sticking with it until it is done. If it is a tough task it means gritting your teeth, bowing your back, and staying with the thing until it is done. This tenacious quality, which builds character and moral fiber, is the first prerequisite of a good education.

This is a rather soft age in which we live. It is a come easy, go easy period. The machine has minimized the amount of work it takes to make a living. Unfortunately this has not produced better people or stronger personalities. On the contrary it has induced many to dissipate their time and energy on inconsequential things and to expect success without work. Education, character and personality cannot be had without grit. The cost of light is burning. Hard work is the price and prerequisite of a good education.

There is no substitute for work even among the brainiest. "Genius," said Edison—and he ought to know—"is 98% hard work."

In the parlance of another, "Genius is 10% inspiration and 90% perspiration."

They who would succeed must work and wait, for the light comes only as we work toward it.

Take the case of Abraham Lincoln. We can't attribute his success to educational facilities. He read by the open fire light; he carved his arithmetic on a coal scuttle; he walked miles to borrow his books; he studied after a hard day's work and read when others rested. He was not brilliant: to be sure there was a rugged personality with potential powers: but his rival Douglas was far more scintillating. Nor was it due to the "breaks" he got. He failed many times, but he was undiscouraged. He worked for every single advantage; he paid for every forward step. It wasn't luck but pluck—pure, unadulterated grit.

The second G is GRIND, which is just another way of saying sacrifice. There are no short cuts in life, religion or education. There is a certain distance to go, so much prescribed work to do. Some may travel the distance or do the work in less time, but arduous application is essential. There is a certain price to pay. It costs time, money, sweat, blood, and effort. You can't bargain for the worthwhile things of life.

There is no time lost in grinding. In days gone by when wheat was cut with a sickle or a cradle there used to be right much rivalry among the harvesters, and the man in the lead always took time out to whet his blade, for he knew there was no time lost in grinding. There is no time lost in study and preparation for facing life with its multifarious problems.

Grinding means sacrifice, wearing away a part that the remainder may have a keener edge. It is the same old formula—you lose in order to gain, you give in order to get, and you die in order to live.

Demosthenes, perhaps the greatest orator of all times, achieved his eloquence by grinding—sacrifice. At some of his first public appearances his awkward movements and unmusical voice caused his audience to hoot at him. Then for years, with untiring practice, he prepared himself—speaking with pebbles in his mouth and against the roar

of the sea to attain clear enunciation and a strong, resonant voice. Swords hanging over his shoulders broke his habit of shrugging his shoulders. Out of hours of tedious practice and many heartaches came mastery. You can be in a measurable degree what you want to be if you have grit and grind.

The disease of immediacy besets us today. We want success without antecedent toil and hazard, poise and personality by a few simple lectures in elementary psychology, religion by reciting a few creeds or prating a few petitions. Absurd advertisements attempt to allure one to try their quick way to success in many fields. Bunk and ballyhoo—learn to play the piano in six simple lessons; be the life of the party by a correspondence course; startle your boss and friends with your dynamic power by our method. One is reminded of Paderewski who was overheard to rehearse a single phrase of music over seventy times. We marvel at the apparently natural grace and charm of, say Joan Crawford. Yet she says that behind this are hours, days, weeks, and months of practice before the mirror. In most cases poise and personality are forged in the fire of toil and wrought on the anvil of tribulation. There are no short cuts to success.

The third G is GUMPTION. Education would be insecure without some good common sense. "Common sense," said Coleridge, "in an uncommon degree is what the world calls wisdom." Sometimes we denote it as plain horse sense, which has been defined as the art of *stable* thinking. Knowledge must be tempered by judgment. Even the smartest student will fail in life if he lacks this balance wheel. Nothing can quite compensate for the lack of common sense. Knowledge is power—get all you can, but remember it must be directed.

The three "D's" of Gumption are (1) *discernment*—the ability to clearly perceive—(2) *deliberation*—the patience to carefully weigh matters—and (3) *discrimination*—the capacity to cautiously choose the best course. Well do we need to recall the words of Herve, "He who will not answer to the

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THE ADVISER'S CORNER

■ HEREWITH we are making the suggestion that the Executive Council, Alpha Kappa Pi Fraternity, delegate to THE ALPHA staff the power to remove from office any or all chapter historians who refuse to attend to their pledged duties. To collect and edit the material for THE ALPHA requires no end of time and labor. This extra work of dragging out of the historian the chapter letter is an impudence that should be dealt with promptly and with decision. Therefore either by correspondence in the matter or at the next regular meeting of the Executive Council we trust that this needed help will be placed in the hands of the Editor of THE ALPHA. Any office, in any fraternity, is not for personal glory but for fraternal service. Alpha Kappa Pi, to be true to its teachings, must always stand as the counselor for conscientious attention to every pledged obligation. Play the game or give some other brother the opportunity to serve.

It is logical to believe that a young man joined Alpha Kappa Pi, or some other Greek Letter fraternity, to be helped through association and to be a helper among his more intimate associates. If we believe that statement to be true then it is of even greater importance that we believe that every day takes us somewhere—either forward or backward, either up or down. One unwholesome day may poison a lifetime. One day of definite, determined decision can be the beginning of a new and noble career. It is not over-reaching the truth to make this declaration, in keeping with this subject in hand. As thy day, each day, so shall thy life be. Watch the days and the years are already cared for.

Distance lends enchantment to the view.

Things always look better on the other job, in the next town, in the far-away country. The farther away the opportunity the brighter the gleam. Many a man has gone in quest of distant opportunities and seen them fade into nothingness before he could put his hand on them. Right where you are now is the best place for you to achieve success, and to perform heroic service. Thus many a chapter president has the opportunity of changing a mediocre, self satisfied, just getting along chapter, into a veritable mountain-top achievement, once he senses his job and goes to the task. Under such leadership poor scholarship begins to change to higher levels; weak financial status to take on an honorable record; and selfishness within the group to gradually assume the genuine precepts of fraternalism. Not only the far-look but the near-at-hand-look is needed for proper adjustments.

The Executive Council, by vote of the national convention delegates, has made it possible for the *Greek Exchange* and the *Fraternity Month* to go regularly into every Alpha Kappa Pi chapter house. It is the hope of the fraternity that both these publications are not only received, but read and even studied in order that the chapter members, throughout the entire fraternity, may gain a speaking knowledge of all fraternities. These are excellent publications, and entirely given to fraternity matters, and any chapter making use of them is sure to become a forceful part not only of his fraternity but of the college life wherein that chapter has been established. It is also a splendid thing to keep these publications on file and as the volumes are completed have them bound and kept as a working

part of the chapter library. Fraternities are just like any other organization, the more we know about them the more we appreciate being a part and parcel of these orders. A word to the wise is more than sufficient.

It might be well to state here that Alpha Kappa Pi's ritual has been somewhat revised and lengthened. The fundamental ideals and ideas are the same but the addition of two libations and the use of the larger number of candles, with significance in teaching, make the ceremony more illuminating and impressive. After the chapters have used this

larger ritual the council would be happy to receive their reaction to the same. Grand President Parke B. Fraim used this ritual for the first time officially when Nu chapter, Lehigh University, received its pledges into full membership. All reports from this first display have been most favorable. If finally accepted by the fraternity the ritual will be used at the next national convention when certain pledges will be made Knights of the order and under the direction of our ritualist, Grand President Fraim.

ALBERT HUGHES WILSON

West Virginia Wesleyan Celebrates Semi-Centennial

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The chapter is adequately housed at 15 Meade Street, and the fame and name of the Psi chapter, Alpha Kappa Pi fraternity is not confined to the Wesleyan campus, but is known and respected throughout the State of West Virginia, and in fact wherever fraternities and colleges are under consideration. With Wesleyan taking on a bigger and more resourceful life, with the

celebration of its fiftieth birthday, it is convincingly true that the chapter of Alpha Kappa Pi on this campus, shall also grow, and in time become even more powerful and respected than it is even at the present time. Wesleyan and Psi chapter greet the college and fraternity world with good cheer and no end of well grounded optimism.

All-Alpha Kappa Pi Basketball Team

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these men would be there giving their best in every line of endeavor. McMillan, for reason of his gift to lift the spirit of his mates, no matter how hard the going, has been named the captain. So here are the men we have to defend the basketball integrity of the fraternity, and right royally would that very thing be accomplished, and no matter when or where, that call might be made. Look them over, study their records, and we are rather confident there will be a somewhat unanimous agreement that these

teams are truly representative of the fraternity when this game of basketball is under discussion.

Other Alpha Kappa Pi men who played stellar basketball all season, and deserve honorable mention, are: Glad, West Virginia Wesleyan; Skurla, Newark Engineering; Sterner, Rogler and Saul, Wagner College; Schwarting and Lindeman, Brooklyn Poly; and Burdick of the most recent chapter grant, Milton College.

COMMENTS OF FELLOW



ACTIVITIES OUR GREEKS

■ ALPHA CHI RHO, founded at Trinity College, Hartford, Connecticut, has just placed its Alpha chapter in a new home, and a very fine one. Fraternities at Trinity are: Delta Kappa Epsilon, Alpha Delta Phi, Sigma Nu, Delta Phi, Psi Upsilon, Delta Psi.

■ CONNECTICUT STATE COLLEGE is now the University of Connecticut and by order of the state legislature. A building program has been endorsed by the state and there is little doubt but what this university will advance in every fine way within the next few years. Fraternities at this campus are: Phi Mu Delta, Alpha Gamma Rho and some dormitory local societies. Storrs is the post office address.

■ SIGMA NU has restored its Delta Sigma chapter, Carnegie Institute of Technology, after three years of inactivity on that campus. The chapter was installed in 1917 and was the second national to enter Carnegie, Theta Xi being the pioneer. Since that time a great many of the fraternities have entered that field.

■ LAWRENCE COLLEGE has definitely committed itself to the fraternity life on that campus and is making arrangement to build house-units on its campus for the use of the five fraternities already established in Phi Kappa Tau, Delta Tau Delta, Sigma Phi Epsilon, Beta Theta Pi and Phi Delta Theta. Each unit will be built to accommodate

twenty-two resident members and provide all the other needs of an up to date and modern fraternity home. There are ground reservations being made for any possible future groups being needed there. It is said that Sigma Alpha Epsilon is now engaged in colonizing at that campus. For a great number of years this college frowned on national fraternities. With change of heart there is no half-way conversion.

■ IT MAY be just another story but the rumor is that Wooster University, Ohio, is discussing the subject of permitting fraternities to return to that campus. In 1913 fraternities were prohibited from making further initiations and the chapters gradually became dormant. Fraternities affected were: Alpha Tau Omicron, Beta Theta Pi, Phi Delta Theta, Sigma Rho Epsilon, Phi Gamma Delta, Phi Kappa Psi, Delta Tau Delta and Sigma Chi. Without question Wooster is one of the finest colleges among all the many splendid colleges in the State of Ohio.

■ KAPPA DELTA RHO has placed a chapter at Fresno State College, California. Beta Kappa pioneered the field, and welcomes Kappa Delta Rho as a friendly rival.

■ PHI KAPPA SIGMA has established a chapter at Montana State. In order of entrance there we find: Sigma Chi, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Alpha Gamma Rho, Kappa Sigma, Pi Kappa Alpha, and Lambda Chi Alpha.



THE EDITOR'S DESK

National Convention

■ DURING the past several months the fraternity has been deluged with hotel booklets, from Los Angeles, California to Boston, Massachusetts, and from Toronto, Canada, to Havana, Cuba, seeking to gain the consent of the Alpha Kappa Pi, to arrange to meet in this or that hotel, and all of them making most attractive appeals. The requests for the convention, have become so marked, and of such coverage, as to territory, that it has been decided to make this statement, in *THE ALPHA*, and with the desire that all the collegiate chapters consider this matter carefully, and immediately, and then send in your respective conclusions, or reactions, to the chairman of the convention committee, A. H. Wilson, 163 East 111th Street, New York City. In reaching these decisions it is well to take into consideration the location of the chapters, and make the final choice within reasonable traveling distances to the greatest number of chapters, and for the simple matter of keeping the convention costs within the budget already set. With that point in mind we herewith suggest that the chapters send in their first, second and third selections, and keep these favored places no farther West than Toledo, Ohio, or Detroit, Michigan; nor further South than Huntington, West Virginia; Washington, D.C.; or Raleigh, North Carolina. Then of course state whether or not there is still the desire to meet again in New York City.

While on the subject of national convention it might be well to consider a time or season of the year for this national gathering. Instead of meeting during the Christmas Holidays, as has been the usual custom,

it has been suggested that we meet in the Spring, and immediately after Easter Sunday.

Come on and let us have the expressed wishes of the several chapters, so that a definite decision may be made, and before the end of the present college year.

The Ideal

■ As A nation of peoples we are forever in search of the ideal, and in everything and everywhere that we may be interested. Individually, and as a corporate group of individuals, we are seeking this objective in all our plans and purposes. Nowhere is it more marked than among the orders set forth as the Greek Letter Fraternities of the Colleges and Universities of the land. Alpha Kappa Pi is no exception when the desire to discover the ideal historian or historians is in contemplation. What a treasure, to any Editor, when this ideal historian appears on the horizon, and without urging or even consideration for his own whims, goes right ahead and delivers one hundred per cent in the work to which he has pledged his best attention. At this time *THE ALPHA* wishes to make a bold statement and even at the risk of being denied, in saying that we have found not one but four ideal historians, if not perfect then so near that status that we defy their traducers to seek for evidence to the contrary. These Ideal Historians are: Henry Meyer, Alpha; Paul Deafenbaugh, Lambda; James Cox, Psi; and Wilson Worman, Alpha Alpha. Then running close on the heels of these four brothers we have Robert Havill, Iota; Robert Scott, Alpha Beta and Ralph Schwartz, Alpha Epsilon. The last named have not had time to prove if they are going to keep the pace they have set thus far, but if they do keep that high

rating in service, as shown in the time they have been chapter historians, then we will be able to name them also among these Alpha Kappa Pi historians who have scored the perfect marking. What a joy in the life of THE ALPHA Editors if all the historians were of same ideal makeup as these men we have herein named.

Rubber Stamping

■ IN THESE days of consolidation and interfraternity élat there is the age-old danger of fraternities losing their individuality or even their corporate reason for existence. This danger lies along the line of too great a desire to conform. That is an over-desire to be like some other order or just to have the privilege of a bowing acquaintance with some self-styled paragon of all fraternal virtues. When any fraternity, old or young, has reached that stage of expression then it is no longer a self-respecting order, but just a plain rubber stamping organization that has failed to make use of its own opportunities in a definite and distinct service.

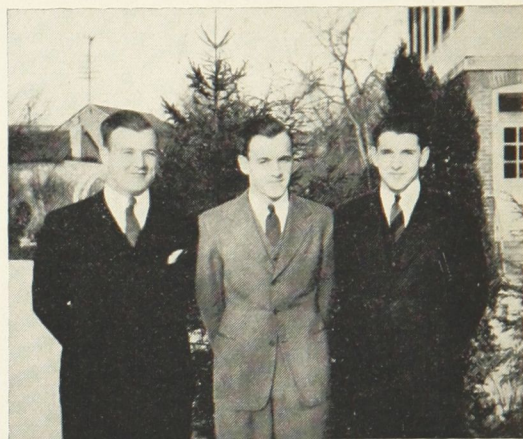
We make free, in supporting this little diatribe, to quote from the *Teke* of the Tau Kappa Epsilon Fraternity:

"All too frequently our fraternal orders are breaking down the individuality of the brother that he may conform. Individuality is your pledge's most sacred heritage; it is the measure of a man's worth; it is a gauge by which his character may be judged. From his individuality must come his ability to strive mightily for himself; to meet competition and overcome it; to become a leader of men. Leaders are never made from the type—from the man who is a rubber stamp of his neighbor. Don't be a rubber stamp; maintain your individuality that you may become a leader of men; that you may meet and surmount obstacles that he who is the prototype cannot successfully battle against."

The Ruth Dynasty

■ JUST AS the New York Yankee baseball team had its immortal Babe of big artillery, and the man whose prowess really made possible the building of the most

magnificent ball park in the country, so we find that the Alpha Kappa Pi fraternity, Franklin and Marshall College, is able to boast not only of one Ruth but a veritable dynasty of outstanding men bearing the name of Ruth. In no way related to the Ruth of baseball fame, yet in their own line of endeavor no less outstanding and remark-



THE RUTH BROTHERS OF ALPHA GAMMA
Left to right: Jacob '37, John '39, and James '43

able, and particularly so as their contribution to the fraternity is concerned.

When the local society at Franklin and Marshall College petitioned, and was accepted as the Alpha Gamma chapter of the fraternity, one of the forceful leaders, in the petitioning group, was Jacob Ruth, Wyomissing, Pa. Then when the chapter was installed it was found that not only was Jacob Ruth, junior and coming president of the chapter, present for the ritual, but his brother, John Ruth, freshman campus figure was there for the same purpose, and thus were added, to the rolls of the fraternity, that day these two young men and brothers in the family bond. As the elder brother, Jacob, was chapter president in his senior year, so two years later, John Ruth was made chapter president also. Then this present college year the third Ruth, and the last of the dynasty, entered Franklin and Marshall College, and naturally, followed his brothers into the Alpha Gamma chapter. Jacob is now married and a successful business mer-

chant in his home city of Wyomissing, while John is at present a student at the Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. James is edging himself up the active chapter ladder and may one day head the chapter as president and keep the family score in perfect rating. It is a remarkable family, from which these three brothers have come to the Alpha Kappa Pi fraternity, and nowhere in that part of the great State of Pennsylvania, is there a more honorable name to be found than the Ruths of Wyomissing, and it is certain that these three brothers have made up their minds that the name and fame of the family shall remain regnant and unsullied. It is with rightful pride that THE ALPHA sets forth the worth of these three most enthusiastic Alpha Kappa Pis. To Jake and John and Jim, we extend the accolade of the entire fraternity. May the Dynasty never grow dim, and may oncoming gener-

ations of the name Ruth, grace the rolls of the Alpha Gamma chapter, and the archives of the national fraternity. Faith, Hope and Charity have not a thing on our ebullient Jake, John and Jim.

Alpha Gamma Graduates

■ WE CALL attention, with no small degree of pride, to the graduating group of Alpha Kappa Pis, appearing in this issue of THE ALPHA. Not often does it fall to the remarkable experience of any chapter to graduate fourteen men at one commencement. Yet this is just what will happen at Franklin and Marshall College, June commencement 1940. In this group picture there are two brothers missing. Keene and Fodor were unable to be present when this picture was taken. Among these graduates eight of them are chemistry majors; one a pre-medical major in Biology; two are Bachelors of Sci-



SENIORS AT ALPHA GAMMA

Top row, left to right: McCormick, Winters, Kutz. Second row: Geyer, Raab, McLaughlin, Hershey, Schmutz, Pennington, Herr. Bottom row: Waltman, Musser. Keene and Fodor were not present when the picture was taken.

ence in Economics; one a B.S. major in Mathematics; and one an A.B. majoring in History. Not only is this an achievement worthy of special note but it is a tremendous man-power and leadership to cut from one chapter at one fell swoop, but let there be no alarm anywhere as to the future integrity of the Alpha Gamma chapter. These men and others of the chapter, plus a regnant and live-wire alumni, have seen to it that the ranks are filled and the chapter will open with a large roll of members when the next college year comes to hand. THE ALPHA salutes the Franklin and Marshall chapter and to these fourteen graduating members extends greetings and expressions of good fortune in all the years to come. Alpha Kappa Pi honored these men and these men in turn have honored Alpha Kappa Pi.

Grand President at Lehigh

■ ON THE days of February 9, 10 and 11, Grand President Parke B. Fraim, was at Lehigh University and the Nu chapter of the fraternity. While there he took the president's chair when six of Nu's pledges were given the ritual of the Alpha Kappa Pi. Grand President Fraim took occasion, at this initiation, to try out the enlarged ritual for the first time, and thus give the chapter at Lehigh the privilege of making careful notations and then set forth the reactions whether favorable or otherwise. Between this time and the next national convention the fraternity will make these test initiations, and thus be able to make the final and knowing decision, whether we shall retain the old ritual intact or make these additional parts permanent. It is hoped that all the chapters will give most careful attention to this matter when brought into actual revelations at the different initiation services. At the time of this initiation at Lehigh four freshmen and two sophomores won their badge of membership.

Lifting the Horizons

■ AS THE collegiate chapters are well aware the national officers have made it possible for the *Greek Exchange* and the *Fra-*

ternity Month, to come to them regularly, and without cost to the chapters. We mention this not to stress any great generosity on the part of the national officers but to make the appeal that the members, at these different chapter centers, make it a point to read these publications. A good Alpha Kappa Pi man is one who not only knows his own fraternity, but has a certain and definite knowledge of all other fraternities. In this way each chapter knows a little better how to put his own house in order, and in a more knowing and constructive way. THE ALPHA suggests that the presidents of all our chapters call attention to the presence of these fraternity magazines and then urge all their members to make use of them. Not only from the fraternity and college angle are there splendid articles to be found within their pages, but there is much in all the issues of these journals to give a wider understanding of the doings of our nation, and even in international affairs. Read these publications and discover what a storehouse of wisdom you will find within their interesting columns. The only proof needed, as to their worth, is to read them.

Worth Stressing

■ IF WE read the collegiate chapter letters with care and for the purpose of discovering the ideals of this or that chapter, we are delighted often to find how far-sighted are the young men in the matter of building an enduring organization. Recent chapters letters have been of a particularly high grade and we take the liberty of pointing out certain customs that ought to be stressed in all chapters where there is the right understanding of the ways and plans of the fraternity as such. One of these high lights comes from the Alpha Zeta chapter, Wayne University, and tells us about the chapter, once each year, holding a gift week, and within those days gifts are received from different brothers, active and alumni. This year one gift was mentioned as of particular need and thoughtfulness, when Brother Nelson gave a rug for the living room. Every chapter house stands, always,

in need of some refurnishing and where can you find a more appealing way than to make traditional the "gift week." There is a psychology and gentility about it that will win out where a set program to secure the needs will meet with a flat defeat. We congratulate Alpha Zeta in establishing a custom that is absolutely new in fraternity annals in so far as we are enlightened. May Alpha Zeta never abandon this annual observance.

The other plan we bring out is not exactly new but the success of it, in this instance, perhaps was more than the usual ending of such affairs. Rho chapter made much

of hell-week, and the word much is almost too tame. During hell-week instead of some passing show or attempt to belittle the neophyte, Rho had a clean up in the house and when the work was completed, brothers and pledges alike were shouting their approval of the cleaner and more attractive home in which they were residing. Here is another way that every chapter could benefit, for there never was a chapter house but had some corner that needed cleaning, a cellar to be emptied or a wall to be papered and a floor to be oiled. Stress these things next year.

The Three "G's" of a Good Education

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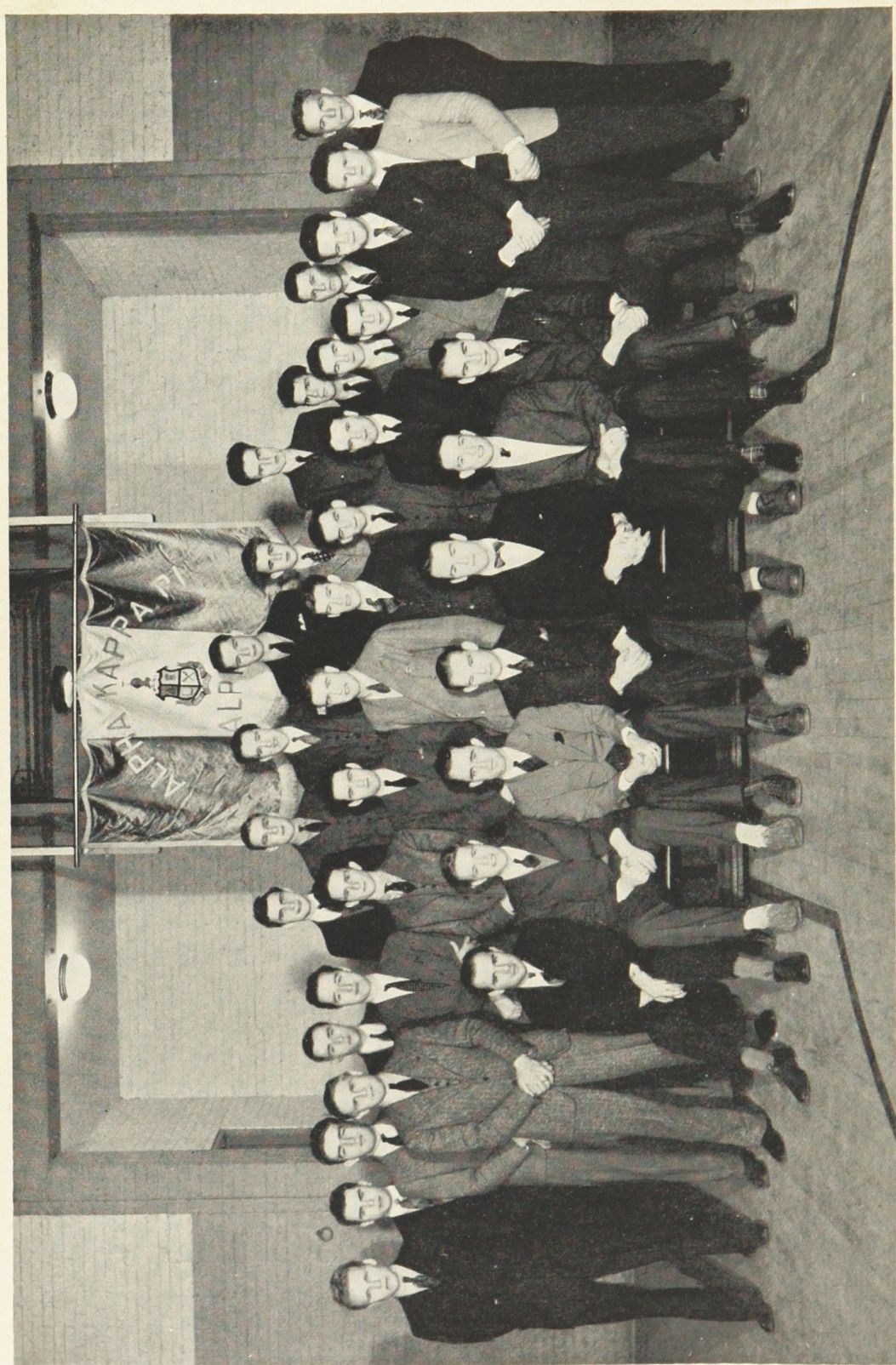
rudder must answer to the rocks."

And may we add a fourth G, GOD. We are creatures of the Most High; His fluid personality flows through us; our life is His liquid essence. He has made us for Himself, and we are restless until we find rest in Him. We cannot live satisfactorily without Him. Many crack under the strain of life simply because they have not the spiritual interior. In the acquisition of knowledge and your quest for truth, forget not the Source of all knowledge and truth.

We are coming to see that there are some things our machinery, science and even a formal education cannot do, as Butterick has reminded us. Electricity can do wonders, but it cannot light the path to peace. We have machines that can produce tremendous power, but they cannot renew one diseased mind. We have elevators that can whisk us up thirty, forty, fifty, sixty stories, but they cannot lift us one step nearer God. With all our fabulous wealth we cannot buy

back one childhood prayer. With all our knowledge of human behavior and psychoanalysis we cannot impart peace or instill faith. We are coming to see that all the treasure chests of this world are a box of vanities and that beneath the crackling brilliance of this thing called success there is emptiness and futility. Without God the adventure of life loses its radiance, its dynamic drive, its creative urge, its invincible faith, its lofty aspirations, its most daring deeds, its deepest joy, its sweetest experience, its sacrificial spirit, its challenge, its sovereign authority, its enduring patience, its surest refuge, its fairest vision, its only hope, its greatest thought and noblest objective. In fact all life loses its intrinsic value and true meaning without God. No mistake can be more fatal or life more futile than to leave God out.

Get knowledge but with all your getting remember the prerequisites of a good education are Grit, Grind, Gumption, and God.



ALPHA CHAPTER AT NEWARK COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING



CHAPTER NEWS

Alpha—Newark College of Engineering

Alpha chapter is looking forward to a busy spring season. Dances, smokers, parties, pledging activities, basketball and other interfraternity sports, and college activities are keeping the brothers of Alpha moving at a fast pace.

The Junior Prom of February 23 was a grand success due to the activities of Chairman Hank Pruner, and Committeemen Brothers Don Smith, Jack Stillwaggon, Gregory Moulter. The activities at the Prom were climaxed by the selection of Eleanor Carroll as Prom Queen. Flash photos taken for the 1940 *Nucleus* increased the excitement and glamour of the evening.

Visitors Day at the College, on February 10, was a gala day for Alpha. Brother Douglas Benedict acted as chairman of the committee that was in charge of the college exhibits for the day. Brother Doug did an excellent job and deserved the credit accorded him by the college administration and students. A party at the house in the evening concluded the day for the brothers.

The pictures of the skating party held at the bungalows of brothers Muench and Benedict at Lake Hopatcong turned out very well. Brother Chug Mallon and his date went over with a bang in the film. The greatest thrill of the day was traveling over the ice at forty-five miles per hour behind Brother Lou Wenzel's Packard. Brother Porky Skurla's chicken-clam chowder-vegetable-noodle soup a la Civil was the hit of the spread which followed the skating. It was a grand day and will be remembered by the Alpha brothers who attended.

Alpha men welcomed three Alpha Gamma brothers who stopped at the house on the week-end of February 3. Brothers John Hershey, Ken McCormick, and Charles Messer made themselves at ease with the Alpha brothers and enjoyed a week-end of business and pleasure in New York. Brother John Hershey and Brother Hank Meyer of Alpha, both yearbook editors, enjoyed a quiet session devoted to layouts, expenses, write-ups, etc., pertaining to their particular college annuals.

The brothers at Stevens, Gamma chapter, drop in occasionally to talk over policies pertaining to the fraternity. Alpha men are planning to attend Gamma's dance on March 9. Plans are also being

formulated for a basketball game between the two chapters. Alpha and Gamma brothers are drawn closer together by these visits and hope is expressed at Alpha that they will continue.

The basketball team of the college continues to win games handily. To date the record shows nine wins against three losses. The five brothers that compose the varsity five are led by Captain Jig Hall. Jig's play is slightly short of phenomenal considering the fact that he has been hampered by injuries. Brothers Don Bolton and Hank Meyer, the two other seniors on the first five, are continuing to roll up the points against all opposition. Brother Jim Ellor, a sophomore, recently rang up nineteen points against Upsala and is fast developing into one of the best centers in the vicinity. Brother Porky Skurla who rounds out the first five is a sharp shooting forward and steady floorman.

Pledging activities have been started again with the pledge party of February 22. Chairman Herb Weis and his committee entertained a large group of brothers and prospective pledges with a questionnaire game and an excellent food display.

The alumni smoker of February 16 was hampered by a snowstorm and cold weather. The few who turned out enjoyed moving pictures, smokes, and tea and crumpets. The alumni have tentatively planned a dance on March 23 for all the alumni members in the northern New Jersey alumni chapter.

Alpha chapter extends its welcome to Alpha Eta chapter of Alpha Kappa Pi. Alpha chapter wishes success and prosperity to its new brothers at Milton College and eagerly awaits news from this chapter in the next issue of *THE ALPHA*.

From the above list of activities it can be seen that the Alpha men are enjoying the spring term and are planning more events for the year about which I will notify you in the near future.

HENRY O. MEYER

Beta—Wagner

Initiated: Werner Johnson '41.

Since our last report to *THE ALPHA* this chapter has been on the go constantly.

One of the big jobs on this campus is the editing of the college annual *The Kallista* and Editor-in-Chief Gibney, has been hard at work attending this interesting if difficult task. In this work Broth-

er Gibney is being faithfully aided and abetted by Brothers Jensen, Saul, Miehe, Schroeder, Intemann, and Danielson. With so many Alpha Kappa Pi men at the job we are certain to find an outstanding *Kallista* when completed.

Brother Ray Miller has been busy coaching both the men's and the women's fencing teams, and both teams have been running up the best record since the inauguration of this sport at Wagner College. Brothers Smith, Sheldon, Dietrich, and pledge Heilsburg make up the men's team, while Brother Jensen is manager.

The interfraternity council at this campus staged a dance on the evening of January 26, and it proved a great success both socially and financially. Then on February 1 the pledges of this chapter gave the brothers a "shipwreck social" which proved to be a most happy occasion. Many amusing incidents happened during the evening. We are surely grateful to our pledge brothers for this enjoyable entertainment.

Dick Izzard is now president of our pledge class while Harry Husted is the secretary-treasurer. Beta has a fine group of pledges and they are doing justice to the good name of the Alpha Kappa Pi fraternity.

After the initiation of Werner Johnson, February 15, the chapter gave a banquet to honor this outstanding Wagner student and faithful Alpha Kappa Pi worker.

Co-chairman Bob Intemann announces that all the arrangements for our annual spring formal have been completed. Therefore on April 6, to the smooth rhythm of Don Weeden's Orchestra, and at the Suburban Country Club, Union, New Jersey, we shall all make merry. The hours are set from 9:30 until 2. Beta extends to the Alpha Beta chapter best wishes as they take over the ownership of their chapter house, and to the Alpha Eta to be at Milton College, best greetings.

LEONARD R. KLEMMANN

Gamma—Stevens

Pledged: T. McCann '43; J. Currey '43; T. Spano '43; T. Duncan '43; R. Wolfe '43; W. Steeper '43; W. Wells '42; W. Stengel '42; W. Schmittner '42; R. Marvinney '42.

The basketball season is fast drawing to a close. It is therefore fitting that Gamma include a report of its basketball activities for the year. Our representation on the varsity squad is limited to one man, Ed Israel, first string player since his freshman year. Ed is the floor man for the team. He organizes plays, handles much of the passing, and he is sure outstanding in defensive work.

The majority of the members on the senior class team are Alpha Kappa Pi men, and we are able to take pride in saying that the seniors did not lose an interclass game this year. These brothers played first string for the seniors: Harry Anastasia, Frank

Quirolo, Louis Beffa, Ralph Anselmi, and Anthony Frio.

Alpha chapter, Newark Engineering, has challenged Gamma chapter to a game of basketball, to be played at the Stevens gymnasium. This game should prove a most interesting battle. Most of the Newark Engineering's varsity are members of the Alpha.

Gamma has made an enviable record for itself in interfraternity basketball competition. Ten fraternities compete yearly in two leagues. Gamma won the I.F.C. plaque year before last, and so far has come out tops in its league this year. The final or play-off game of the leagues will be played in the near future, and there is every indication that Gamma will capture the plaque once more.

Now for something besides basketball. On March 1 the alumni held homecoming at the chapter and there was entertainment and an excellent dinner at the chapter house. The Gamma annual formal is scheduled for March 9, at the Canoe Brook Country Club, Summit, New Jersey. A large crowd is expected. This event will no doubt be over by the time this matter is in print.

Twelve seniors will be lost by graduation in June, but we believe that the juniors will be well able to take their places. Speaking of graduation brings employment to mind. The Stevens employment office is operating under full steam, and interviews for jobs are coming thick and fast. Several seniors in Gamma have already received offers. Many more interviews are scheduled, however, and we will have a definite report in the next issue of THE ALPHA. Till then, we wish all of the Alpha Kappa Pi seniors the best of luck in finishing their final college work, and obtaining a flying start in the career of their choice, and best wishes to all Alpha Kappa Pis everywhere.

HERBERT CUMMING

Delta—Brooklyn Polytechnic

Initiated: Norman Wennagel '42; Raymond T. Ellickson, *Faculty*.

The Delta chapter is proud to announce the initiation of Norman Wennagel, a leading member of the sophomore class, and Dr. Raymond T. Ellickson, of the college faculty. The career of Brother Ellickson has been such that more than a passing statement of his initiation seems fitting. He is a graduate of Reed College, Portland, Oregon, where he worked his way through college and graduated with the Bachelor of Arts degree in 1935. That same fall he enrolled at the Oregon State College and won his Masters; and entering the University immediately afterward secured his Ph.D. degree in 1938. Here at Polytechnic Dr. Ellickson is one of the best liked and most popular of the younger members of the faculty staff. Delta chapter presents Brother Ellickson with much satisfaction to the entire fraternity.

The men at the Delta chapter are versatile as their many honors and activities well prove. The brothers seem to be in the very center of every good endeavor and thus form the nucleus of most of the extra-curricular doings, and all the way from singing to wrestling.

Charlie Walsh, a sophomore, is one of the highest scoring men on the basketball team and has been averaging nine to ten points in every game and is the mainstay of the floor team. Besides he rounds out his athletic abilities by being on the dean's honor list, and a member of the student council. Bob Lindeman, another basketball star, was forced to give up the game owing to a foot injury. This handicapping of Brother Lindeman is felt not only in basketball but by the tennis team of which he is the leader. Brother Schwarting, our hard working president at Delta, and the Adonis of the chapter, is also a fast moving player in basketball but made a late start owing to injuries that hampered him for several weeks, but he is fully recovered from the injury and is one of the mainstays of the team. Delta's representation in this game of basketball is rounded out by Brother Laestadius who is the assistant manager. John is a past president at Delta and is captain of the track team, specializing in the half mile. While on the subject of sports it is well to state that our Brother Jim Seelig is manager of the track team and also a luminary when the half mile is under discussion.

Other Delta men who are prominent at Polytechnic are Brother Hunter, president of the junior class; Carl Braun, secretary of the student council and captain of the rifle team, who has recently made both Eta Kappa Nu and Tau Beta Pi, the honorary engineering fraternities; Brother Carlson, treasurer of the glee club, president of the mathematical society, and a member of the board of control. Johnnie Lerstang is one of the embryo pilots at Poly. He is about to receive his license under the C.A.A. training program, and has completed more than half his flying time and by the time this letter appears in print he will have sprouted his wings, no doubt.

Sunday afternoon, March 3, under the supervision of Grand President Parke B. Fraim, Delta initiated the above mentioned brothers and for the first time used the enlarged ritual.

JOHN CARLSON

Eta—Presbyterian

Initiated: Sidney Otto Mathis, Marion, South Carolina '42; Earl Ferguson Cody, York, South Carolina '43; Albert W. Ford, Jr., Georgetown, South Carolina '42; William Leonard Culp, Rock Hill, South Carolina '43; Robert Noah Blackman, Darlington, South Carolina '42; Thomas Huey Wilson, Chesterfield, South Carolina '42.

Eta chapter is now in the midst of a seeming

"lull before the storm" period. We have so many activities facing us in the near future, but the present seems to be quite uneventful. However, Eta men have made their mark here since we last went to press.

In the recent senior superlative contest conducted by the *PaC-SaC*, student yearbook of which Brother Milton Norton is editor, the local group of Alpha Kappa Pi placed more different men than any other of the six social fraternities on the campus. Brother Richards DuBose captured the title of "most handsome" in these superlatives; Brother Fred Allen was named as the "best business man"; and Brother Milton Norton was in a tie for the "most talented."

A staff member of *The Blue Stocking*, student weekly newspaper, recently conducted a survey of all issues of the paper for the first semester to determine the "most publicized students." Alpha Kappa Pi placed more men in this group than any other fraternity. Brothers Milton Norton, Fred Allen, and Charles MacDonald, were named in the "big ten" list in this survey.

Student body elections take place on the campus in about two weeks and Eta men will be right in there fighting for positions. Already we possess two representatives to the student council, the business managers of all three campus publications, editor of the yearbook, managing editor of the newspaper, and a large number of class officers. It is our sincere hope that we may continue to fill these offices from our ranks after elections have passed.

Officers of the fraternity for the coming year are to be elected next week. Retiring president is Brother "Jule" McGregor. We are confident that a number of excellent officers will be chosen, and we extend the utmost thanks to those who have led us so well during the past year.

Eta's representatives to the local basketball court were missing this year. However, the intramural cage program found Eta right there on the floor, but we were defeated in our first encounter. Captain Mac Reid led the Alpha Kappa Pi attack, but our efforts were futile as we ended up on the short end of the score.

We are pleased to report that pledge Mac Reid is with us again this semester, as he was unable to attend school here the first semester.

In the near future we plan to hold our annual banquet in Hotel Clinton, and a gala social event, in our chapter rooms afterwards. These events will be in honor of the men recently initiated, and we hope to have other pledges initiated before that date.

Brother Lukie Culp, ex-president of Eta and now a Second Lieutenant, in the U. S. Army, stationed at Fort McClellan, Alabama, was a visitor at Presbyterian this past week-end. Brother Culp was on a special leave of absence, and while here he attended our initiation ceremonies.

Eta leaves you with the hope that in the next issue we will be able to present many accomplishments.

CHARLES MACDONALD

Theta—Columbia

Initiated: Alfred Grannatelli '42, New York City.

Theta is enjoying the work of the second semester and planning bigger things as the days slip along. Two fine men have been initiated and are taking their places in the chapter with enthusiasm.

Luncheons are being served at the Alpha Kappa Pi lodge rooms and in this congenial way new men are being contacted and, when we are satisfied they will fit, into the life of the chapter, these men will be pledged.

Since Phil Unhoch was unable to remain in the college we have placed John Castronuova in the president's chair and he is doing a good work for the fraternity. All the brothers are behind him and there is much determination to make Theta even a stronger unit on this campus.

At the time of the initiation of the above named brothers we were honored with the presence of Grand Chaplain George E. Owen, and Province Chief Graham. We were benefited by the presence of these officers in the fraternity.

Brother Shatzel is out for the varsity crew and is sure to be boated for another season. He is a veteran in the Columbia crew. Brother Gilligan has played stellar basketball all season and we were proud of the game that he placed on exhibition.

It might be well to place our telephone number so that out of town brothers may know how to find us easily. So call University 2-3200, then ask for Hartley Hall and when connected there ask for the Alpha Kappa Pi fraternity, and the trick will be accomplished.

Theta is pleased to send cordial greetings to the newest chapter, Alpha Eta, Milton College, Milton, Wisconsin, and to wish for these brothers in the Alpha Kappa Pi, the same pleasures that we here at Columbia have experienced.

JOSEPH S. BZDYK

Iota—Mount Union

Initiated: Edward D'Angelo '42, Forest Hills, New York; David Wilson '42, Pittsburgh, Pa.; and Cecil Coleman '42, Alliance, Ohio.

Iota chapter of the Alpha Kappa Pi fraternity once more sends out to all our brothers everywhere the best of good wishes and to let them know how we are progressing here with the "seven pointed star."

The prized scholarship cup has not as yet been awarded but the chapter feels that we are going

to recapture it, and in that spirit we are most anxious for the announcement of the winner to be made.

Brother Robert Hoiermann who assumed the presidency of this chapter, at the beginning of the second semester, is doing a fine piece of work and has inspired renewed interest in all the brothers and pledges for a finer and bigger Iota chapter. President Hoiermann takes the place left vacant when Brother Francis Havill completed his hours for graduation, in June, and withdrew to enter the Theological School, Drew University, Madison, New Jersey.

The chapter house never presented a more attractive appearance than right now. The bath room floor and the upper hallways have been given new linoleum carpets and surely make a great improvement. Then President Hoiermann has placed a new radio and one of those marble games, found in every college inn, in the house, and is now planning to have the entire downstairs redecorated. So, brothers, the "old red brick," is being put in wonderful shape. Alumni, come back and verify these statements.

Brothers Ryder Cook and Robert Havill are in charge of the social activities and are making arrangements for many pleasant evenings. Brother Cecil Coleman is chairman of the pledge committee and is already laying plans for the work at the opening of next year's rebuilding of the chapter.

On the evening of February 22, the entire chapter, actives and pledges, held a smoker at the chapter house. Alumnus Brother Robert Ogle added much to the enjoyment of all present by his remarkable piano playing. He can make those ivory keys actually talk.

We are expecting a great many of our alumni back on the evening of March 8, when Iota will hold a house party, and the following day expect to initiate a number of our pledges. Among the alumni we are looking forward to having with us are Grand Treasurer Frank J. Krebs, Alumnus Treasurer Grant Hansen, and many other good Alpha Kappa Pi men now out in the business world but still mindful of their college and fraternity.

At the George Washington ball, given by the college, there were more than two hundred and fifty persons in attendance. It was a great celebration and took on the atmosphere of a patriotic gathering with the red, white and blue decorations, and silhouettes of "George and Martha." The music was furnished by the Wilson Band. Brother Ryder Cook was a member of the committee making possible this successful affair.

The Iota chapter was pleased to receive the announcement that the national Alpha Kappa Pi had chartered the Epsilon local society, Milton College, Milton, Wisconsin, and herewith welcomes sincerely the Alpha Eta chapter.

ROBERT HAVILL

Lambda—Bethany

Initiated: A. Dale Sowers '41; D. Earl Turner '42.

Pledged: James J. O'Brien '43, New Paltz, New York; Robert T. Williams '43, Millville, New Jersey.

February has been an exciting month for the brothers of Lambda. Although rather quiet during the first part of the month, excitement struck us with all its fury during the last week. On Friday morning, February 23, the furnace in the basement of the chapter house blew up and filled the house with smoke. The brothers, in the house at the time, immediately put out the fire in the furnace and discovered that the cast-iron firebox had burst entirely open. Cracks had been noticed in it before, but it had been thought that the furnace would last out the year. Chapter officers, fearing an approaching cold wave, communicated with alumni officers and made arrangements to have the broken parts of the furnace replaced. However, it was found that certain necessary parts were no longer being manufactured, and it was decided to install a new heating plant. Plans were made with our alumni and a new steel furnace was bought.

In spite of the quick action of the chapter officers, it was found that the chapter house was too cold and damp to risk living in. Therefore, the college administration co-operated with the brothers in finding rooms in the dormitory and in private homes in the village. We were forced to remain outside the house for three days, but are now back in the chapter house and enjoying the efficiency of a new furnace. During the time we were out of the house, gas stoves were installed in the chapter room and dining room so that those rooms could be comfortably used.

The week-end of March 2 and 3 brings spring homecoming and Charter Day to Bethany's campus. Saturday, March 2, marks the one hundredth anniversary of the granting of the charter to Bethany College by the legislature of the State of Virginia. This occasion in addition to homecoming will bring many of the alumni of Bethany College and Lambda chapter back home again. Lambda is looking forward to entertaining quite a few of the brothers.

Basketball is still claiming the athletic spotlight at Bethany. Lambda has her team in the Interfraternity League and has played several games each week for the past month. Brother Weber is the efficient captain of the team and Pledge Bob Jackson is fulfilling the duties of manager.

Spring vacation for Bethany's students will be March 22 to April 1. From April 1 on, we will be engrossed in the final academic and social events of the year leading up to commencement on June 3. Brothers Cutlip, Deafenbaugh, and Martin will graduate this year.

We are looking forward to our annual Yellow Rose Ball, which will be held at Point Breeze Inn, near Bethany, on the evening of May 18.

We were quite sorry to lose Brother Max Carr at the beginning of the second semester. Brother Carr, a music major, transferred to Miami University at Oxford, Ohio. We wish him the best of luck and good fortune in his new location.

Lambda is indeed happy to welcome Alpha Eta chapter and its brothers into the brotherhood of Alpha Kappa Pi. We wish them many happy years with us.

PAUL W. DEAFENBAUGH

ALUMNI NOTES

Announcement has been made of the birth of a baby girl to Reverend and Mrs. Spencer Adamson of Benton, Pennsylvania. Brother Adamson is an alumnus of Bethany College and a former president of Lambda chapter. He is now filling a pastorate in Benton.

Nu—Lehigh

Pledged: James F. Pfeffer '42, East Orange, New Jersey.

Initiated: William B. Hinman '43, East Orange, New Jersey; Richard C. Hopkins '43, Narbeth, Pennsylvania; C. Lowell Liebau '43, Nutley, New Jersey; Leonard H. Miller '42, East Orange, New Jersey; Ralph D. Moyer '43, Bogota, New Jersey; Richard S. Spencer '43, Kenmore, New York.

The first semester is over and Nu's members are almost through grumbling over the treatment they received at the hands of the professors at mid-years. But all in all, the boys got off pretty easy, and the total house average, if not perfect, should place this chapter of Alpha Kappa Pi in the upper bracket of the fraternities at Lehigh.

Since this letter is intended to inform the other brothers as to what we do and what happens here, we'd best get down to business and start letting you all in on the news.

First, the most interesting item is our initiation which took place on February 9. At that time five freshmen and one sophomore were welcomed into the brotherhood; their names are listed above. Following the ceremony a fine banquet took place which was a fitting anti-climax to the festivities. Grand President Fraim had come down from Brooklyn to assist with the initiation and brought with him the revised ritual and the national chapter's initiation equipment. With all that, and especially with Brother Fraim's expert assistance, we managed an impressive ceremony that will be long remembered. In the years to come we will also remember the highlights of Professor Fraim's visit. It is unfortunate that his work at Brooklyn Poly prevents him from visiting all the chapters regularly and frequently, for we found his presence

and his conversation both an inspiration and an entertainment. We are looking forward to his next visit with much pleasure. Thanks for coming, Brother Fram.

The brothers here have been very active lately. Howard Donohoe and Dick Shipherd are progressing nicely in their intramural debating career, having annexed another victory this week over Sigma Chi. They have now reached the halfway mark toward the \$120 cash prize. Frank Benedict, who last year won the intramural tournament, is traveling with the varsity debating team. He seems to enjoy the free meals he gets for exhibitions before Rotary Clubs, etc.

Harry Boyer has a knowing eye fastened on the 135-pound Eastern Intercollegiate Wrestling crown. He defeated his opponents from Kansas State and Yale, but was unable to wrestle in the Penn State match because of an ankle injury received in practice. He pinned his man at Navy and got a decision at Syracuse, but lost a close bout at Cornell by a referee's decision. So we, too, think Harry's got a knowing eye on the championship.

This coming week-end, Nu will hold its annual fathers' week-end. This occasion is fast becoming a tradition of great popularity. There's nothing like a chance to get the "old man" in a collegiate bull-session, but it has been found that they stand up well under such pressure. This year we'll have wrestling meets, a basketball game, faculty members, and innumerable other things to entertain our "pappies."

On March 9, the annual Alpha Kappa Pi-Pi Kappa Alpha mid-winter formal will be held in the main ball room of the Hotel Bethlehem with Harry Romig's and Piff Moore's orchestra supplying the music. This dance is one to which we look forward to since it gives us, among other things, another opportunity and excuse for wilfully neglecting the books and enjoying a good taste of social life.

This semester we were glad to welcome back two pledges who were not in school last semester. Cal Murphy had spent the fall on California's beaches (though he claims he'd been working). Ralph Moyer had left school in October to undergo an operation on his left eye which had been injured in a hockey game. Incidentally, the operation was successful. But though we got back two, we also lost one, for Dunc Randall decided he'd like to try West Point. So he is now prepping for the competitive exams next month.

And now my pen's run dry. To the many brothers everywhere: don't let the fast approaching spring fever get you down.

ROBERT D. MARSDEN

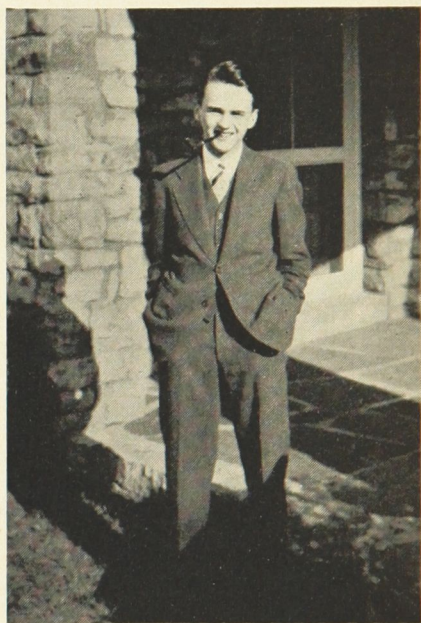
Omicron—Penn State

Initiated: James F. VanValkenburg '40; George E. Williams '41; Robert A. Reichard, Jr. '41 Ernest

E. Zimmerman '42; Russell P. Bear '42; John A. Gallup '42; Herman E. Staub '42; Ralph G. Clouser '43; Gustav J. Henrich '43.

Omicron is proud to announce the initiation of the above named nine pledges. Every one got a kick out of informal initiation, even the pledges! Sandwiched between all the fun was a program of work which really put the house in shape. Congratulations and a hearty welcome to nine more Alpha Kappa Pis; may they all be builders for Omicron and Alpha Kappa Pi.

As I write this article, Penn State and Omicron are putting the finishing touches to the first big week-end of 1940. The fireworks started on Friday evening with senior ball, and the music was



JAMES A. WUNDERLICH, *Omicron '40*
Chapter President

supplied by Jan Savitt and His Top Hatters. On Saturday evening, the brothers, and their senior ball queens, watched a strong Penn State boxing team whip a determined Michigan State team. Now we can wrap up the "tuxes" until interfraternity ball, just one month hence.

This chapter lost two very fine brothers at mid-year graduation; they were Arthur Hicks and Lin Zulick. Brother Hicks was house president last year, and will be long remembered for his great work in this chapter. "Art" received his degree in agricultural economics. Brother Zulick came to Omicron from Alpha Gamma chapter at F. and M.; besides being a fine student and an all-around fellow, "Lin" was unsurpassed at rushing. He graduated from the Forestry School.

Brother Bill Ritzel is doing some fine work on

the sophomore debating team, while at the same time getting some excellent training for the legal profession. Before long the annual campus elections will have rolled around and the embryonic politicians will be in their glory, frequenting prominent places and shaking hands, and the air will be filled with campaign promises. Last year our hour was quite successful in the elections; here's hoping this year will turn out just as good.

Spring will soon be here, bringing mushball and spring fever, and in the next issue of *THE ALPHA* we'll have the painful duty of bidding farewell to ten seniors. Till then, keep pluggin', and lots of April showers.

R. MILTON ERWIN

Rho—Rutgers

Initiated: Herbert J. Ashwell '42; George Anderson '42; John Dingle '43; Walter I. Lewis '41; Ernest S. Race '43.

February 17, 1940, was a big day at the Rho chapter house. On that day five splendid men were initiated into the ranks of the fraternity. Thomas Reichelderfer '40 and Professor Bartlett addressed the brothers at the banquet following the initiation.

The initiation culminated the hell week activities. In keeping with the policies of this chapter the brothers and pledges used this week preceding the reception, of these new brothers, to redecorate several of the rooms at the house. The fellows went almost without sleep during this annual clean-up. The results were highly gratifying.

Rho's basketball team has won two out of the three intramural games played and are looking forward to traveling about the state for further competition. Most potent in the game is Pledge Bob Mengel '43 who has scored ten and six points respectively in the first two freshman varsity games. Before coming to Rutgers he was an all-state player. Tall and rangy, the six-foot four-inch freshman is one of the star forwards on that team.

Outstanding on the chapter team are the two Kens, Ross and Gebler, who manage to snare their share of the points in every game.

Winter sports have found senior, Will Darby, a sprint man for Coach Jim Reilly's tank team, and pledge Rich Snethen wrestling in the 175-pound slot on the freshman team. Al Miller is still performing his duties as a sophomore wrestling manager.

Fred Kadey, who won his varsity letter in cross-country last fall, is unable to run his usual mile as the track team begins conditioning. Trouble with his appendix holds him out of the running.

The newly organized Fathers' Club plans to meet early in the month of March. Mr. H. S. Austin, Elizabeth, New Jersey, will give a talk illustrated by films on Iraq, where he was instrumental in establishing the Standard Oil Company. We are

anticipating a great deal of inspirational help from this organization.

Best wishes from Rho to all the brothers and congratulations to Alpha Eta chapter on her admission to the Alpha Kappa Pi fraternity.

CLIFFORD H. RADUS

Sigma—Illinois

Pledged: Louis Greco '43, Chicago, Illinois; Harold West '41, Danville, Illinois.

Sigma chapter is well on the way to make a successful ending of the second semester. All the brothers are most attentive to their studies and the house carries a more serious atmosphere than at any time during the present college year. Maybe this close attention to the books will keep Sigma in its usual high rating when the scholarship marks are handed out.

Sunday, February 25, a rushing dinner was served and a splendid time enjoyed by all the members and guests. Some good work was accomplished for the chapter and fraternity. To continue the work of seeking out the good men for pledging every Thursday evening has been set aside for that distinct purpose. To make the dinner parties complete the chapter gave a sweetheart dinner, Sunday, March 3, and the brothers were all there with their favorite young ladies. Needless to state it was a most enjoyable occasion, and Alpha Kappa Pi was highly commended for the way the dinner was served.

As a future date for the annual Spring Formal there is much discussion for this affair is always a gala one and the chapter is beginning early to make the 1940 celebration a stand out one on this big campus. To get in shape for the Formal several of the brothers will dance to Freddie Martin's music at the George Huff Gymnasium. This dance is always sponsored by the Independents.

Sigma wishes continued happiness and prosperity to all our chapters in the work of building a better and finer Alpha Kappa Pi.

EARL MATHEWS

Tau—Tufts

Tufts was snow-bound in the blizzard of February 14th for the first time in many years. Classes were called off for a day, and the fellows in the house who were fortunate enough to have skis used them to great advantage. Ever since the snow, and the repetitions ever so often, Plumley, Haas, Bartlett, Bielecki Cumming, Mann, Dickerman, White and Sunderman have been going Finnish. Casualties: Mann's and Sunderman's broken skis. Bartlett went so far as to ski with an airplane. Hawkins even went so far as buy ski boots.

Outside of the skiing world, Tau has been very active this winter. Grant and Pollard have been giving their best for Tufts on the track team with Pollard breaking the college shot-put record. Char-

lie Tibbs has been bringing glory to himself, the fraternity, and the college by his superb playing on the basketball court this winter. He is captain and high scorer of the Tufts varsity and second high scorer among all players in the New England colleges. We are mighty proud of him.

Pollard, Tibbs, and Hatch are busy trying to spend the money in the senior class treasury judiciously for the senior weekend. Dickerman and Hawkins are trying to spend the Jumbo Book money the same way, while Bartlett tries vainly to collect the telephone bill each month.

Dave Smith has got his car fixed at last, and is now popular with the brothers again, in spite of his magic tricks.

Brothers Cleary and Loring are still grunting and groaning on the wrestling team, while the rest of the fellows are practicing-up on their holds for interfraternity wrestling.

The fraternity squash and basketball teams are still going strong, and we hope to gain some more points toward the large interfraternity cup.

Two new members of the N.P. Club have been formally admitted since the last publication of THE ALPHA: Bob Hawkins and Perry Cummings. Pledge Quinn is up for election.

The brothers waxed the chapter room floor and are now painting the dining room floor. Harrison is still snapping pictures and rounding up prospective high school students for sub-freshman week-end.

Tau sends best greetings to all the chapters.

FREDERICK DICKERMAN

Chi—Wake Forest

Initiated: James Estes Cross '42.

We really have been having some big times here in Wake Forest. What with the mid-night dances, basketball, informal initiation, and a few other interesting happenings, every one has had more than enough to take up their time.

The annual mid-winter dances were just right, and were held in Durham, February 16 and 17, and the music furnished by Al Donohue and his orchestra. Insofar as Alpha Kappa Pi was concerned these two days were successful stand outs. Practically all the brothers and pledges had dates. After the dancing tea was poured at the chapter house. Three of the Alpha Kappa Pi girls came all the way from New Jersey to enjoy these festivities.

One Saturday evening, in February, Chi entertained its members with a banquet at the Washington-Duke Hotel, Durham. It was a really wonderful occasion.

Hell-week proved great fun this year and everyone thoroughly enjoyed all the days of that week; even the pledges. The eight neophytes, who went through the testing, took everything in the spirit in which it was given. Pledge Master Harrell did a very excellent piece of work.

Our basketball team is doing all right by itself

this year. We stand fourth in the Southern Conference, which means that when the tournament is held in Raleigh, Wake Forest College will be right there. We regret to state that Alpha Kappa Pi is not represented on the varsity this year. However, we do have one brother we would like to nominate for honors along this line. No basketball team is complete without a water boy, so Chi would have it known that among our number there is the best water boy, and the finest exponent of the art of towel throwing, to be found anywhere in the college game. He goes by the handle of Alden Kuhlthau.

Chapter and college plan for a big week-end on May 4. At that time Chi will hold its spring dances. We will be happy to greet any of the brothers who happen to be in this part of the country at that time. We can promise them a pretty good time, so come on.

President Darling has become quite studious, and is making a rather extensive study of the American Indian. After one of the dances he had on so much war-paint that it was very difficult to distinguish him from the real thing.

Chi has a mascot; a little black and white pup, concomitants unknown, but quickly answers to the name Chi. Pledge Stone and Chi seems to have formed a mutual admiration society.

Plans are under way to purchase a ping-pong table. This table will be installed in the spacious attic of the chapter house, and furnish much recreation for the entire membership. Along the line of exercise the chapter's intra-mural basketball team should be a corker. The league got under way the last week in February and as the season advances Alpha Kappa Pi should be in there with the best of them. Chi presents such stars as Brothers White, Bridger, Durham, Ward, Kuhlthau, McClelland and Darling.

Well, this report about takes care of the news down here in this part of the south. We desire, in closing, to extend heartiest congratulations to West Virginia Wesleyan in their preparation to celebrate their semi-centennial of a splendid service to state and nation.

GLENN H. MILLER

Psi—West Virginia Wesleyan

Initiated: Nathaniel Jack '42, Buckhannon, W.Va., and Allan M. Stanley '42, Charleston, W.Va.

Pledged: Gene J. Davidson '43, Hollidaysburg, Pa.; Jerry C. DeMarco '43, Asbury Park, N.J.; and Franklin Dias '42, Irwin, Pa.

With semester exams a thing of the past, Psi chapter's preps and actives alike mark time till the festivities of "hell week" get the starting signal from Pledgemaster Brother George Snyder. Twenty-six Alpha Kappa Pi preps worthy of the name every one of them are ready, willing, and able to toe the mark for "the week."

Psi is sorry to announce the loss of two brothers and three pledges who left school at the end of the first semester. Brother Jim "Sugar" Cain, Wesleyan's line-cracking fullback, and Pledge Fred Shreves have transferred to Glenville State Teachers College; Pledge Oscar Hickel to Morris-Harvey College; and Brother "Dugie" Tatum and Pledge Bill Morrison have withdrawn in favor of employment.

The return of Jerry DeMarco to the house, and the entrance of Brother Allan M. Stanley and Pledge Gene Davidson into the 15 Meade street habitat brings the quota to sixteen. The initiation of Brothers Stanley and Jack maintain the active roll at twenty-eight. Quite a few of the preps are planning to go active at the conclusion of "hell week" activities.

Introducing to the brotherhood of national chapters Psi's new wearers of the seven-pointed star, we are proud to present Brothers Stanley and Jack as two more loyal knights of the order. Brother Stanley—"Big A" to us and you—bases his sole claim to fame on the eventful crowning of last year's "King of May." You've guessed it! "Big A" was the sober sovereign. Brother Jack was an athlete of no mean fame in his prep school days, but since entering Wesleyan his abilities have been limited to intramural circles. A pair of fellows with the right fraternity spirit.

The three prep additions bring credit to Alpha Kappa Pi. All three are athletes of merit and may be counted on to bolster up the Bobcat gridiron hope for next September. Pledge Dias comes to us from Muskingum college where he has spent the past two years. These boys need no introduction into the social world.

Speaking of things socially, well, Psi chapter's winter formal was just about tops in that line for Wesleyan. Rudy Bundy (of sizzling clarinet fame) put on a great show for the Psi boys and a barrel of fun was the result. Thanks to Brothers Kiddy, Lohan, and Snyder for another swell dance and thanks to the many alumni brothers who came back for the event. Just now, we're waiting to see what trump card the big three of the social committee have in their hand for the spring informal frolic, slated for the night of May 18.

Athletic news is usually the Psi boy's headliner and, well, it is again. This time it's basketball, and we of Psi can boast four of the first five within our ranks. Brother Sam Gwosden at center, Pledge Eddie Kosko at guard, and Pledges Hank Ellis and Frankie Feola at the forwards are Alpha Kappa Pi's contribution to the first team. Most of the reserves are pledges of this chapter to make things sort of, well, unanimous. In this category we find Pledges Kenny Knox, Fred Broadwater, Junie Post, Bill Barrick, Jack Burke, Dutch Travis. Incidentally, the present team is Wesleyan's best in more than a decade.

Turning to our quintet in the light of the indi-

viduals composing it, our attention would come to focus on youthful Hank Ellis, the freshman sensation who has been breaking records at Wesleyan. Way out in front of the others, on the team, he will doubtless wind up the season with a figure close to 400 points. As it is young Ellis is the leading scorer in the entire Pittsburgh district, which, incidentally, includes some of the nation's best ball teams. This year a freshman, Ellis promises to be the greatest ball player in the history of the school at the end of his four years.

And Wesleyan's isn't a one man ball club either. Brother Gwosden is one of Wesleyan's greatest centers, the best in recent years. He has scored well over 200 points this season and is second only to Ellis in scoring. He is a strong defensive player, a well rounded and polished performer, and best of all, he's only a sophomore.

Pledges Feola and Kosko, each of whom have scored better than a hundred points, round out Psi's contribution to the first team. Kosko is the team's captain and a very fine guard. Feola is often referred to as "Sparky" and it does seem that he is the sparkplug of the team much of the time.

Brother Delmar Walker was recently presented the fraternity key awarded annually to the senior member of the chapter having the most activity points to his credit, while Brother Jim Cox was presented the key awarded to the senior member having the highest scholastic average over the four year period. Speaking of scholastic averages, Brother Cox again led the senior honor roll with a point index of 2.88. It looks like a valedictorian for Psi.

Intramurally, the Psi boys are as active as ever. Brother Cox's senior team is leading in the B league, while Brother Wilson's senior team is still undefeated in the A league. Brother Dick Reppert and Pledge "Pug" Lewis have charge of the junior and freshman teams, respectively, in the B league, while Brother Bill Morrison and Pledge "Rally" Canfield control the A league representatives of the junior and freshman classes. Thirty-eight of the Psi boys and their preps are participating in the intramural program.

We have been glad to welcome back the following alumni who have visited us recently: Howard Arnett '39, Don Gatewood '39, Cortis Hanna '39, Jimmy Herndon '39, all of Charleston; Allen Mackey '39, Mannington; Eddie Mc Chesney '37, Crabtree, Pa.; and James Campbell '40, Lookout.

Valentine Day found Brother Allan Stanley up to old tricks. Unable to let pass the opportunity for some fun, the portly joy-maker from the capital city presented each brother and pledge living in the house with a comic valentine that really hit the ticklish spot. Of course, you understand, he tried to cover his transgression by sending one to himself. Guess what? "Bookworm." Perhaps the best of all.

Sidelights—Brother Fred Linger is back in the

ranks again after a prolonged illness, and Pledge "Sawbuck" Tenney has recuperated full well from an appendix operation. . . . Glad to see you back on your feet, fellows, but, oh, those semester exams you have to make up! . . . Brother Ralph Dobbins is out in the limelight again, this time it's in the play the Wesleyan Play Shop is putting on as its contribution to the State Speech Festival, held here March 14-15-16.

Though not particularly on the subject of records, the books of Psi chapter reveal this one, which we believe highly worth the space of inclusion. Brother Macel Ray VandeLinde (the Sheriff) has not missed an active meeting since becoming a brother over three years ago. That's one good enough for any Alpha Kappa Pi to shoot at. . . . Oh, yes, before we forget it, Pledge Ellis' points-per-game average is 17.23 at this date.

Psi chapter has two columnists on the staff of the college newspaper, the *Wesleyan Pharos*, in case you didn't already know it. . . . Pledge Joe Bailey writes a column of editorial comment and campus slants entitled "So I'm Told," while Brother Jim Cox writes a column of sports comment and chatter. . . . Speaking of the *Pharos*, Brother Stanley was recently appointed to the office of assistant advertising manager of the paper.

A split has finally rendered the Lohan-Martin combination indifferent to each other. And we thought it couldn't end up any way but one. We can be wrong, but not for long. What about it, Brother Lohan? . . . Looking at things from an angle of beauty, it looks like the Psi boys really have a monopoly on Wesleyan's supply. Martha Jean Martin, the morsel of feminine pulchritude in question in the Lohan case, was the beauty queen of '38, and Brother Dobbins' heart-throb, Miss Cora Mae Stout, was the choice last year for the much-sought-after title, "Miss Wesleyan of '39." The campus sweetheart hasn't been selected as yet for this year.

The call of spring is rapidly getting the better of yours truly, so now we think we'd do well to close this epistle with the sincerest wishes of health and success to all brothers in Alpha Kappa Pi. Nothing would please us more than to have a visit from any or all of you. So long till May!

JAMES COX

Alpha Alpha—Hartwick

At the present time the Alpha Alpha chapter is more than busy with spring rushing. For reason of a strict limit enforcement, by the inter-fraternity council, Alpha Alpha will not be able to pledge more than a half dozen men at this pledging season. All fraternities on the campus being held to a total membership of thirty active members. The new men pledged will be the very best on this campus.

At present the chapter is in tip-top condition,

both financially and physically, so there is no reason to doubt but what the right men will go the way of the Alpha Kappa Pi. A theatre party, suppers and a novelty party have been some of the features of the rushing program. At one of the gatherings everyone was presented with a clay pipe with the letters Alpha Kappa Pi painted on the white bowl in green colors.

February 23, Fred Waring and his Pennsylvanians aired the new Hartwick College song at the time of their pleasure program. A mammoth celebration was held in the State Armory that evening. Probably one of the most thrilling events in this College's history, the program was climaxed with a sensational Hartwick victory over St. Michaels, basketball champions of the State of Vermont. Alpha Kappa Pi was magnificently represented on the team by Ray McMillan, who plays a guard position on the Iroquois team.

Honor came to Alpha Kappa Pi through our vice-president, Herb Sager, who captured first place in the Oneonta City Chess Tournament. Herb won in seven consecutive games to eliminate all opponents and in all classes. A shining trophy now adorns the chapter—a silent tribute to this skilled brother for all those trying hours of triumphant competition. March 5 this chapter was in charge of the college chapel services. Every member of the chapter was there and each brother wore a fresh, fragrant yellow rose, and sat as a body.

Preparations are now under way for Founders Day celebration. Alpha Alpha will hold its traditional banquet on the evening of March 23, and will drink a toast with all Alpha Kappa Pi men when the clock points to the hour of ten.

The brothers are now looking forward to the annual Spring Formal dinner-dance, and to be held Friday evening, June 7. Any brother in this part of the college world, and is desirous of attending this gala occasion, should get in touch with Ralph Berning, chairman of the committee, and not later than May 15. This year the chapter is reserving the Major's Inn, Gilbertsville. This is one of the most unique hosteleries in this part of the state. The dinner will be served in the great hall featured with an immense open fireplace. The dance hall is Old English in architectural effect, and with the terraced gardens makes a most attractive place for any celebration.

A recent gift to the chapter, from the alumni association, is a steel filing cabinet. A new gas range has been installed and various improvements have been made in the kitchen. Prince Redington and Jerol Kent have edited an aptitude test for all science majors, and their work has aroused the interest of the entire campus. Wilfred Lyons, charter member at Alpha Alpha, is studying at Copenhagen University, Denmark. Stew Griggs is Alpha Alpha's representative for "Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities." Herb Sager and Ralph Berning recently visited the Delta chapter,

Brooklyn Polytechnic, and also called on Grand President Parke B. Fraim. Best of greetings to all Alpha Kappa Pi and everywhere.

WILSON T. WORMAN

Alpha Beta—Tri State

Now that the winter term is ended we are looking back upon it and noting how things have been accomplished by the brothers here at the Alpha Beta chapter. Yes, may we say that this last term has been a very busy one for all of us. The pledges have been doing a fine job and taking the honor of their pledgship very seriously. All of which leads us to believe that they are destined to make the kind of members that all the fraternity will be mighty proud to know.

The tenth of February proved to be a very entertaining evening—full of excitement, favors, dancing, and an informal supper. It was our term pledge formal and held at the chapter house. The big thing that made the evening so marked a success was the fact that there were one hundred per cent attendance of all the brothers, as well as several Alpha Kappa Pi alumni and invited guests. Every brother and pledge pitched in and did his share of the work necessary to get the house in order, and this spirit of co-operation and marked enthusiasm prior to the actual affair resulted in the most successful dance ever given by this chapter. Quite a few of the members have found themselves going steady with their respective dates of that gala occasion.

Just at this time we are all more than just passing proud of Brother Jack Gardner, whose home is in Canada, who has been taken into the Tau Sigma Upsilon Society, the highest ranking scholastic fraternity on this campus. The entire chapter is basking in the reflected glory of this accomplishment by this popular and brainy Canadian.

Another brother who has been bringing honor to Alpha Beta along athletic lines is Gamber, our basketball star, and a man who has performed valiantly throughout the entire season. When this player gets into action everybody knows there is something going to happen. There is no part of the game in which he is not more than skilled.

Right now the chapter is busily engaged making plans for another social entertainment before the Easter vacation, then of course there will be the term banquet always given in honor of graduating members. This banquet will be held in one of the better Fort Wayne hotels on the sixteenth of March. An informal sweater dance will be given near the end of the term through the combined efforts of all the fraternities on this campus. It is well to mention here that through the interfraternity council there is a greater and better understanding and spirit of friendliness among the different fraternities, and all of which is good for both fraternities and campus life in general. A rush week, with

open house, will be tried this spring, and thus give prospective pledges an opportunity to visit all the fraternities and to become more or less well acquainted before making a final decision.

It is needless to mention that our studies and house activities consume the greater part of our time, although we do welcome our week-ends and times for relaxation. The brothers are always thinking about house improvements, and saw fit this term to enlarge the dining room with the attendant better comfort to all the members. Many pieces of new and substantial furniture have been purchased for the general living rooms, and the coming term there are plans being made to have the entire down-stairs redecorated. Alpha Beta is out to make this chapter house everything that we desire it to be in attractiveness and real comfort. We intend to have it stand tops on this campus.

This year we are losing a fine group of enthusiastic and hard working brothers through graduation. We will miss them sorely but herewith pledge to carry-on and to add further greatness to that stability in chapter doings that these men founded.

This just about winds up all the news for this time, so until the May issue of THE ALPHA, best wishes to all our chapters.

ROBERT SCOTT

Alpha Gamma—Franklin and Marshall

Pledged: Jack Bell '41; Louis Torak '42.

Hi, gang! Wow, what a winter, even for the Alleghenies. The storm came just at the right time. Right in the middle of the annual hell-week, and you should have seen our pledges, eleven strong, wading valiantly through the drifts and all armed with shovels. Seriously speaking, though, we believe our week with the pledges was a great success. A great deal of needed work was accomplished about the house, and we had all the pledges living and eating at the house for the first time. We feel that this living together is the main purpose of the week, and thus brothers and pledges are given a fine opportunity to really know each other. Without bragging Alpha Gamma is convinced a finer group of pledges cannot be found anywhere.

Before the month of March has passed there will be a big initiation held here and several if not all of these eleven pledges will have won their badge in full membership.

The wrestling season is in full swing, and that reminds us that we have just pledged another varsity wrestler, Louis Torak, '42; Bethlehem, Pa. Brothers George Raab and Herbert Pennington, both class '40; are our other wrestlers. While on the subject of athletics we also are able to report the pledging of Jack Bell '41; Windber, Pa.; varsity end on the football team for the past two seasons.

Some of our brothers visited Alpha chapter recently. They came back with fine reports of the men down there at the Newark Engineering, even though they did take a razzing for being Pennsylvania foreigners. Not long ago a few of the members visited Dr. Robinson Abbott, Tau, on the faculty at Bucknell University, and a profitable and enjoyable time was experienced.

To the brothers to be at Milton College we send congratulations and a fraternal welcome.

WILLIAM J. MCCOY

Alpha Delta—Toledo

Alpha Kappa Pi is going along in very encouraging strides these near-spring days, and the big interest now is the candidacy of one of the brothers for the vice-presidency of the senior class. For the brothers' sake owing to many rare promises, it would be fraternal to wish him an unsuccessful campaign.

The wonderful Christmas dance still lingers in memory and now we are planning for the annual Spring Formal. We are all determined to make this party one of the stand out affairs of the entire campus.

Recently Brother Rothfuss made his solo flight in a Fifty H.P. Taylor Cub. He is number four for the list of flying brothers.

Alpha Kappa Pi, at Toledo, entertained the entire Notre Dame basketball squad at the time this University and the University of Toledo, played basketball here. It was a most pleasant occasion and our visitors seemed so highly gratified with the courtesy shown them.

We were all saddened in the recent death of Brother Elroy Streit's father, and the sympathy of the entire chapter is extended to him and the family in their bereavement.

BASIL LITTIN

Alpha Epsilon—Cincinnati

Initiated: Alfred Lee Yarnell '41, Dayton, Ohio; C. Kenneth Charles '41, Donora, Pa.; Jack Shields Harris '43, Memphis, Tenn.

Sunday afternoon, February 25, the Alpha Epsilon chapter held an initiation service for three most excellent pledges. Their names and home addresses are given at the beginning of this article. We know these new brothers are all good men and true, and Alpha Kappa Pi will hear much of their services in the years to come. The ritual was revealed at the chapter house after which the entire chapter made its way to the rather famous Paradise Gardens where an informal dinner was served. Then to conclude the evening's festivities a theatre party was enjoyed at the Mid West-premiere of "The Grapes of Wrath."

As we all appreciate the season is approaching when all nature seems to brighten up a bit. That means the time is near at hand for that well known

epidemic of the spring fever. Then add to spring fever the fact of leap year, and all our bachelor brothers must watch carefully if they are to keep their solitude secure. The campus will welcome the brighter days nevertheless.

Saturday, March 2, the chapter staged a roller-skating party, and every one had a most pleasant evening. These different social affairs go far to make our college days more enjoyable and to bind our chapter members in a closer bond of fellowship.

Unfortunately we have no varsity basketball players, but we send congratulations to all those chapters who have members on these different teams. We also send congratulations to West Virginia Wesleyan, home of our illustrious Psi chapter, for having completed fifty years of outstanding service to humanity.

Alpha Epsilon is quite young when compared to the national Alpha Kappa Pi, but we are striving to develop at the rate our national has set as an example for us to follow. With this as our aim we say so long and good luck to all our brothers.

RALPH SWARTZ

Alpha Zeta—Wayne

Initiated: John C. Eckhold '41; Joseph Harvey Chance '41; George Morris '40.

Friday evening, February 23, the Alpha Zeta brothers danced with their best girls, and to the syncopated rhythm of Duke Ellington's internationally famous orchestra. The occasion was the traditional Junior Hop.

Following the dance the brothers and guests returned to the chapter house where an excellent breakfast was served, and under supervision of Brothers Phil March and Loren Lammers. Since the Alpha Zeta had an almost one hundred per cent turn out, for the festivities, these two men had quite a responsibility resting on their shoulders, but, like true Knights, they managed exceedingly well. It might be added that this breakfast was more or less an experiment, to determine whether or not this custom would be carried on at the future dances.

The last business meeting concerned itself almost entirely with the coming "rush party." It has been determined that this event shall hit a new high on this campus. The whole affair will be managed by a well organized group of brothers, and we are confident of scoring a fine success. To help in the evening's program Brother Ted Scott is preparing a small pamphlet concerning the fraternity and one of these printed pamphlets will be given to each of the prospects.

At this point the Alpha Zeta wishes to announce the return of Frank Megenity to the college and the chapter. He is one of our most active brothers and we welcome him back to active service gladly. Brother Joe Pryal, now attending at Michigan State Teachers College, expects to visit us at the

Easter time. We are also hoping to have with us at the same time Don Munro, Columbia University, and Frank Birdsall, studying art in Mexico.

Brother Herb Geirgilas, head of our sports department, has found what he considers an unbeatable ping-pong team. His hopes are centered around Brothers Chase, Scott, and Richie. Speaking of Brother Richie, the chapter is certainly missing his masterful piano playing. He is so busy in university affairs that he has had little time to entertain us.

Whether or not the musical craze is sweeping the other Alpha Kappa Pi chapter houses, we do not know. However the Alpha Zeta men pride themselves in owning all the latest recordings of most of the famous orchestras.

Brother Armand Renaud is still teaching French and already several persons are taking advantage

of his methods of becoming expert linguists.

Brothers Lincoln, Jones, Ossman, and McElroy are now connected with the public school system of this city, and are teaching full time. Congratulations.

A short time ago the interior of our house was given a most complete cleaning. Brothers Chance and Morris, who were then pledges, did heroic service. The last week in February is "gift week" at Alpha Zeta, and among other needed articles, Brother Nelson is sending us a new rug for the living room—a fine and useful gift that will be greatly appreciated.

With no further news in the air, at the present time, the brothers at Alpha Zeta bid farewell until the next issue of THE ALPHA.

LEONARD SIDWELL

ALUMNI CHAPTERS

Chicago Area Alumni Chapter

The Chicago Area alumni chapter has been meeting the third Friday of each month, and for the past six years. For the first three years no official recognition was sought. November 1936 a petition for chapter privileges was made, and recognition received for a formal organization. Fifteen members were enrolled at that time.

Accomplishments thus far have been to familiarize prospective pledges with the Alpha Kappa Pi Fraternity. To keep in touch with the Sigma chapter, University of Illinois, where most of our members became members of the fraternity. To hold occasional social parties at which times the brothers, pledges and prospects were brought together.

Our most recent activities were a party, held December 2, 1939, at Ye Olde Cellar, a Michigan Avenue, Chicago, night club; our fourth annual Christmas party, December 29, 1939, where we elected officers; then on January 21 a dinner at the Stratosphere Club, and then a house gathering at the home of Brother Phil Rockwell, February 23, where we held a great get together. There is a March meeting being arranged and this gathering will be at the home of Brother Warren Bunge, Rock Forest, Ill., to which all Alpha Kappa Pi men in this Chicago Area will be invited.

At our recent election of officers Brother William Jedlink was chosen president, Brother Warren Bunge, recording secretary and John A. Tockstein, corresponding secretary.

We are anxious to contact all Alpha Kappa Pi men in this vicinage and if a card is dropped to the address of William Jedlink, 3511 No. Racine Ave., Chicago, Ill., the proper steps will be taken to give full information as to our alumni organization.

JOHN A. TOCKSTEIN, JR.

Philadelphia Alumni Chapter

The Philadelphia alumni chapter has been holding regular monthly meetings since the month of September brought us all together again after the summer vacations. The usual program is to enjoy a good dinner at one of the better eating places and then adjourn to attend some theatre, or remain to discuss plans for some future undertaking.

In January the annual elections were held and resulted in the re-election of William J. Simpson, Omicron, as president. It is our desire to have our brothers to join us in our monthly meetings. Therefore please communicate with the secretary for the dates of such affairs. If the Historians of the active chapters know of recent comers to Philadelphia, from their respective campuses, we would be grateful for their names and addresses. The name and address of the secretary is Leon R. Fencil, 5942 No. Reach St., Philadelphia, Pa.

On February 24, we celebrated our third annual Ladies' Night, and another most successful occasion took place. There were twenty-three brothers and their wives or sweethearts present. This gathering was held at The Oak Terrace Country Club, and was featured with a full course turkey dinner, games and dancing. Prizes were awarded the winners of the contests and it was a night of great pleasure.

A program committee is now at work planning for the meetings yet to be held. A pleasant evening can be assured to any Alpha Kappa Pi brother attending any of these meetings, and a warm welcome extended. Let us say in our own slogan: "Support the best alumni chapter in the Alpha Kappa Pi fraternity."

LEON R. FENCIL

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